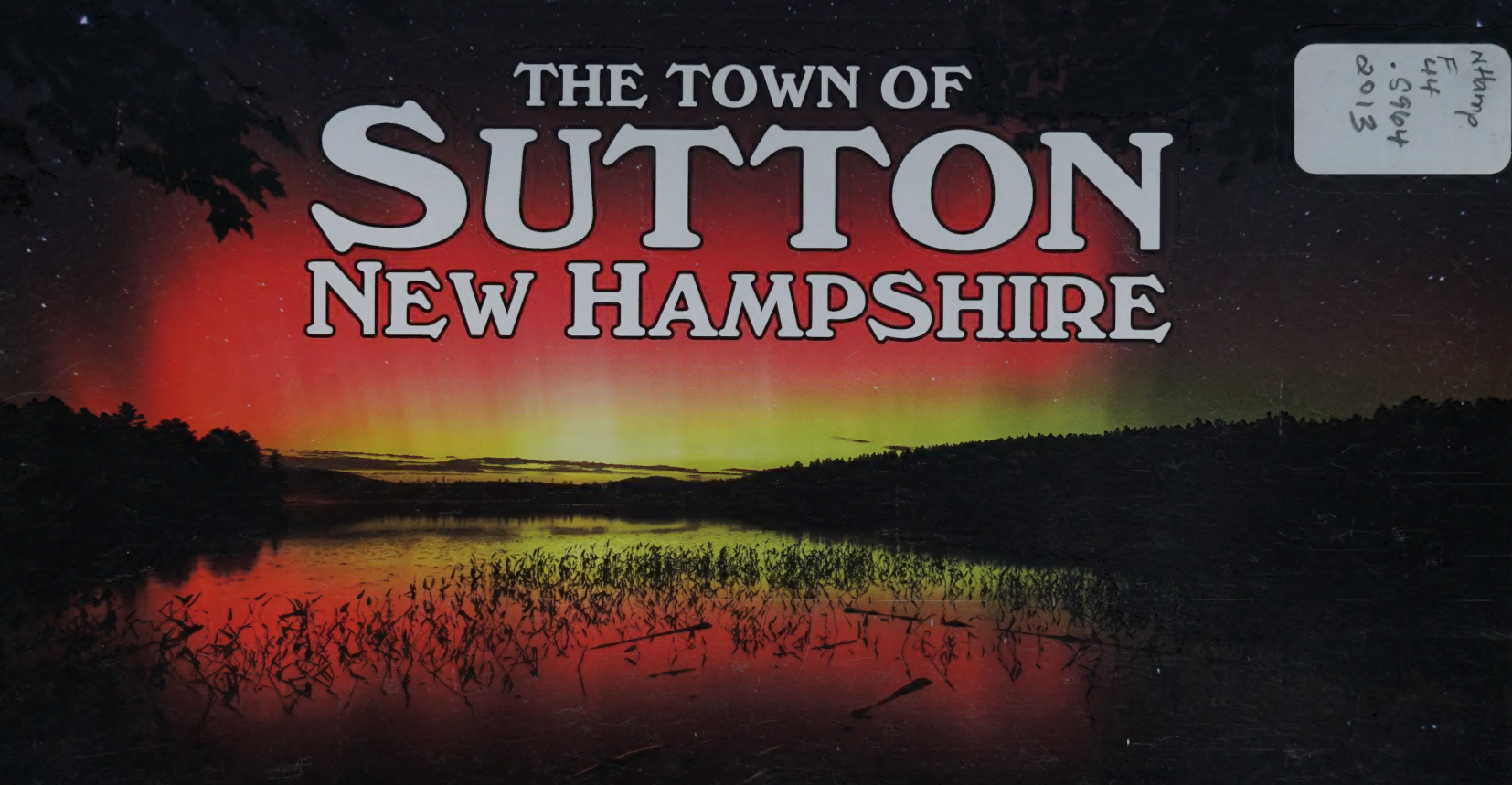
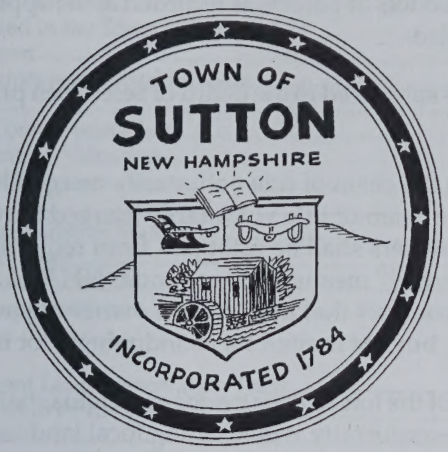
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2013 ANNUAL REPORT

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Annual Report and Vital Statistics

for Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 2013

Population (NHOSP)..... estimated 1,842

Registered Voters 1,451

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Division of Involuntarily Merged Lots (NH RSA 674:39-aa)

Lots or parcels involuntarily merged prior to September 18, 2010, shall at the request of the owner, be restored to their premerger status and all zoning and tax maps shall be updated to identify the premerger boundaries of said lots or parcels as recorded at the appropriate registry of deeds, provided:

(a) The request is submitted to the Board of Selectmen prior to December 31, 2016.

(b) No owner in the chain of title voluntarily merged his or her lots. If any owner in the chain of title voluntarily merged his or her lots, then all subsequent owners shall be estopped from requesting restoration. "Voluntarily merged" means a merger under NH RSA 674:39-a, or any overt action or conduct that indicates an owner regarded said lots as merged such as, but not limited to, abandoning a lot line.

The restoration of the lots to their premerger status shall not be deemed to cure any non-conformity with existing local land use ordinances.

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SUTTON DIRECTORY
EMERGENCY NUMBERS

Police Department (non-emergency 927-4422) 911
Fire (non-emergency 927-4740) 911
Sutton Rescue Squad (New London Ambulance) 911

OTHER INFORMATION

TOWN CLERK – Linda D. Ford
TAX COLLECTOR – Linda D. Ford, ... 927-4575
P.O. Box 487, No. Sutton, NH 03260
Monday 12:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.
Tuesday and Wednesday 8:00 a.m. -- 3:00 p.m.
Thursday 8:00 a.m.– 4:00 p.m.
SELECTMEN'S OFFICE – Elly Phillips, Lynn King..... 927-4416
P.O. Box 487, No. Sutton, NH 03260
Monday, Wednesday, Friday, 8:00 a.m. -- 4:30 p.m.
SELECTMEN'S MEETINGS – Mondays at 5:00 p.m.
All items for the agenda must be submitted to the Selectmen's Office by noon the Wednesday before. Appointments only at meetings.
BUILDING INSPECTOR – Matthew Grimes 927-4080
CONSERVATION COMMISSION – Betsy Forsham..... 927-4279
The Commission meets the 2nd Wednesday of the month at 6:30 p.m.
FIRE WARDEN – Bud Nelson..... 927-2727
HEALTH OFFICER – David Burnham 927-4416
HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT – Steven Bagley, Acting Road Agent... 927-4411
SOLID WASTE/TRANSFER/RECYCLING – John Godkin 927-4475
Tuesday and Thursday 9:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m. / Saturday 8:00 a.m.–4:00 p.m.
LIBRARY – Heidi Thoma and Jennifer Carson, Librarians 927-4927
Library Hours:
Monday : 10:00 a.m. -- noon and 3:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.
Wednesday: 8:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.
Saturday: 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.
PLANNING BOARD – Laurie Hayward, Land Use Coordinator. 927-4115
Land Use office hours are Monday from 8:00 a.m. until 11:00 a.m., Tuesday from 12:00 p.m. until 3:00 p.m.
Wednesday and Thursday from 12:00 p.m. until 4:00 p.m.
The Board meets 2nd & 4th Tuesday of the month at 7:00 p.m.
WELFARE OVERSEER – Courtney Haase..... 927-4176
ZONING BOARD – Laurie Hayward, Land Use Coordinator... 927-4115
Land Use office hours are Monday from 8:00 a.m. until 11:00 a.m., Tuesday from 12:00 p.m. until 3:00 p.m.
Wednesday and Thursday from 12:00 p.m. until 4:00 p.m.
The Board meets the 3rd Wednesday of the month

TOWN OFFICERS/EMPLOYEES
For the Year Ending December 31, 2013

** Is an elected position*

MODERATOR*

Gregory Gill — Term Expires 2014

SELECT BOARD*

Walter Baker, Jr. — Term Expires 2014
Patricia McMahon — Term Expires 2015
Daniel Sundquist — Term Expires 2016

TOWN ADMINISTRATOR

Elly Phillips

SECRETARY/BOOKKEEPER

Lynn King

LAND USE COORDINATOR

Laurie Hayward

TREASURER

Lorri Himes — Term Expires 2014

DEPUTY TREASURER

Robert Wright, Jr.

TOWN CLERK*

Linda Ford (Appointed) — Term Expires 2014

DEPUTY TOWN CLERK

Vacant

TAX COLLECTOR*

Linda Ford (Appointed) — Term Expires 2014

DEPUTY TAX COLLECTOR

Vacant

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Steven Bagley, Acting Road Agent
Frederick Burbee, John Csutor, Adam Hurst, Gary Mattos,
Dennis Stevens, Loring Ford

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Jonathan Korbet, Police Chief
Valerie Crone, Sergeant, Duncan Domey, Police Officer
Philip Buteau, Robert D. Nelson, Ernest Rousseau, Part-time Police Officers
Jennifer Rowe, Administrative Assistant

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

Matthew Grimes, Director

SOLID WASTE TRANSFER/RECYCLING CENTER

John Godkin, Solid Waste Supervisor
David Ellis, Neal Nelson, Loring Ford, Edward Herrmann

OVERSEER OF PUBLIC WELFARE*

Courtney E. Haase Term Expires 2014

BUILDING INSPECTOR

Matthew Grimes

DEPUTY BUILDING INSPECTORS

Vacant

ENVIRONMENTAL CODE RESOURCE OFFICER

Jeffrey Evans

HEALTH OFFICER

David Burnham..... Barbara MacDonald, Deputy Health Officer

LIBRARIAN

Heidi Thoma and Jennifer Carson

BUILDING & GROUNDS

Robert "Bud" Nelson, Seth Murdough, Lorri Himes

TRUSTEES OF THE TRUST FUNDS*

James Lowe (Appointed) Term Expires 2016
Sarah Blake..... Term Expires 2015
Thomas Paul Term Expires 2014

BUDGET COMMITTEE*

George Wells, III..... Term Expires 2016
Tom Paul..... Term Expires 2016
Lynn King..... Term Expires 2015
Robert DeFelice Term Expires 2015
John Silverberg, Chair Term Expires 2014
Richard Benson..... Term Expires 2014
Patricia McMahon Term Expires 2014
Laurie Hayward, Committee Assistant

PLANNING BOARD

Carole O'Connell (Alternate) Term Expires 2016
Julie McCarthy Term Expires 2016
Robert DeFelice Term Expires 2016
Pete Blakeman Term Expires 2015
Roger Wells Term Expires 2015
David Burnham Term Expires 2014
Carrie Thomas Term Expires 2014
(Alternate Vacant) Term Expires 2014
Daniel Sundquist, Ex-Officio Term Expires 2014

Laurie Hayward, Land Use Coordinator

ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT
BUILDING CODE BOARD OF APPEALS

Derek Lick Term Expires 2016
William Hallahan, Chair Term Expires 2016
SueEllen Reel (Alternate) Term Expires 2016
Ed Canane Term Expires 2015
Carla Krajewski Term Expires 2015
Dane Headley Term Expires 2014
Doug Sweet Term Expires 2014

Laurie Hayward, Land Use Coordinator

CEMETERY COMMISSION*

Gerald Gagnon Term Expires 2016
Marilyn Thompson Term Expires 2015
Garrett Evans Term Expires 2014

SUPERVISORS OF THE CHECKLIST*

Kathleen Gill Term Expires 2014
Marilyn Thompson, Chair Term Expires 2016
Kathleen Stowell Term Expires 2018

TRUSTEES, SUTTON FREE LIBRARY*

Carrie Thomas Term Expires 2016
Elizabeth Cernek Term Expires 2016
Lynne Chadwick Term Expires 2015
Shannon Storm Term Expires 2015
Rebecca Harrington Term Expires 2014

TRUSTEES, OLD STORE MUSEUM

Donald Davis, Jr. Term Expires 2016
Robert O'Neil Term Expires 2015
Frederick Pratt Term Expires 2014
Marcia Harrison, Chair Term Expires 2014
Sheila Wilcox, Alternate Term Expires 2014

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Gerry Putnam Term Expires 2016
Henry Howell (Alternate) Term Expires 2016
Donald Davis, Jr. Term Expires 2015
Jean LaChance Term Expires 2015
Chris Ashton (Alternate) Term Expires 2015
Ben Dobrowski Term Expires 2014
Garrett Evans Term Expires 2014
Betsy Forsham, Chair Term Expires 2014
Walter Baker Jr., Select Board Representative Term Expires 2014

ROAD COMMITTEE

Douglas Sweet, Chair Steven Bagley, Acting Road Agent
Peter Blakeman Carroll "Pete" Thompson

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DIRECTOR

Matthew Grimes

HAZARD MITIGATION COMMITTEE

Matthew Grimes, Wendy Grimes, Elly Phillips, Steve Enroth, Chris Rowe, Jonathan Korbet, Carole O'Connell, Paul Parker, Laurie Hayward, Ricia McMahon, Robert DeFelice, Pete Thompson, David Burnham, Charles Whittemore, Marilyn Thompson

SUPERVISOR – HIGHWAY NOTIFICATION PROGRAM

Charles F. Whittemore

OLD HOME DAY COMMITTEE

Jean LaChance

SUTTON REPRESENTATIVE TO KRSD SCHOOL BOARD*

Emilio Cancio-Bello Term Expires 2016

SUTTON REPRESENTATIVE TO KRSD BUDGET COMMITTEE*

Robert DeFelice Term Expires 2016

Round Room Report

Another year has gone by, and the Round Room experienced many transitions and challenges in 2013.

2013 began with preparation for our annual elections, budget and Town Meeting. Robert Wright, Jr., who served on the Board for nine years (since 2004) chose not to run for re-election in order to pursue other interests. Bob was known at the round room table for his no nonsense style, his sense of humor, and his ability to come up with an idiom for almost every occasion. In a closely contested three-way race, Daniel Sundquist was elected as our newest Select Board member. Although Dan is new to this office, he is a seasoned public servant, who chaired the Planning Board from 1990 until his election to this Board in March, 2013. Dan continues to share his community planning expertise as this Board's ex-officio member of the Planning Board. Carole O'Connell joined our Planning Board as an alternate member this year, and Sue Ellen Reel agreed to fill the alternate vacancy on our Zoning Board of Adjustment and Building Code of Appeals.

Mark Loehr chose not to run for re-election as a Trustee of the Trust Funds in 2013. Although we will miss Mark's financial expertise, we were delighted that James Lowe accepted appointment as our newest Trust Fund Trustee. Cory Cochran did not seek re-election as Cemetery Trustee, and Gerald Gagnon was elected to that office. We said goodbye to Rachel Ruppel who resigned from the Conservation Commission, and we welcomed Henry Howell and Chris Ashton as alternates on that board.

We also experienced change in the Fire Department. Chief Christopher Rowe did not seek re-election, and Cory Cochran was elected to be the new Chief. Road Agent Paul Parker resigned from the highway department after more than 25 years of service to this community. We wish Paul well in all his new adventures. Long-time highway crew member, Stephen Bagley was appointed as our Acting Road Agent.

Matthew Grimes was selected for the position of Building Inspector and Code Enforcement Officer when Richard 'Buzz' Call stepped down from the position. We were greatly saddened to say a final goodbye to Buzz, who died on October 15, 2013. Buzz served as our Building Inspector for twenty years and is surely missed by all who had the privilege of working with him and knowing him.

We were sad to learn of the death of two former employees at the Solid Waste Facility in 2013. Walter Simonds who was Solid Waste Supervisor from 2001 – 2012, and Alec McKinnon who worked for the Solid Waste Facility for ten years and also served the town on our Road Committee and as the former Emergency Management Director.

Another transition to address was the appointment of Linda Ford to the positions of Town Clerk and of Tax Collector for a term until March 2014. As you are probably aware, during our 2013 election Linda Ford was elected to the position of Town Clerk/Tax Collector for a three-year term. However, after the election we realized that an error had been made as the Town Meeting had not combined these two positions into one. Presently, the offices of Town Clerk and Tax Collector are actually two separate offices, although the same individual can hold both offices. We were advised by the Attorney General's Office, the Secretary of State's Office, and town counsel that the ballot error created a vacancy in the two offices of Tax Collector and Town Clerk. This Board is authorized by statute to fill both vacancies. We appointed Mrs. Ford to both positions, to serve until the March 2014 election. Therefore, in 2014, you will be asked to choose both a town clerk and a tax collector for the remaining two-year term.

During the course of the year, we spent a great deal of time reviewing town policies. We began an update of the town's welfare policy which was last revised in 1993. Since times and regulations have changed a great deal since then, we devoted much attention to this task. In addition, we began the process of reviewing our purchasing policy. In this tough economic climate, it is important that we maintain the highest level of fiscal oversight. We also worked on our personnel policy, and all our department heads received training in the conduct of performance evaluations.

Another area that required our immediate attention this year was our Safety and Health Program. The Department of Labor performed an administrative audit and a physical compliance inspection of all of our town facilities as part of a newly implemented state wide inspection. As a result, we learned that our written safety program required a complete update to come into compliance with Labor 1400 rules. A number of deficiencies were identified which required a response by year end. We completed an update of our written safety program and addressed other deficiencies as funding allowed. We were granted an extension to finish abating the deficiencies until May 15, 2014. The audit and inspection was, surprisingly, a very positive experience which we believe will result in a safer workplace for our employees.

A major undertaking this year was the update of the Town's Hazard Mitigation plan. A committee was formed which began meeting in March and completed a series of meetings and work sessions in July. Staff from the Central NH Regional Planning Commission (CNHRPC) assisted with the plan and lent their expertise through a matching grant. We wish to acknowledge the time and effort that our Hazard Mitigation Committee devoted to the update. The Hazard Mitigation Plan provides information in the event of a natural disaster, raises awareness of the vulnerability of our facilities and structures to such

disasters, and identifies measures to help offset damages from a future disaster. We must have a federally approved adopted plan in order to receive FEMA funding in the event of a declared disaster. We are delighted to report that at the time of this writing, we have received federal approval of our plan, pending adoption. If you are interested in learning more about the plan, we will be conducting a public hearing and information meeting prior to its adoption.

This year one of the many goals we identified was the need for open lines of communication between our citizens and your Select Board. We value your opinions and suggestions and encourage your participation in the upcoming update of the town's Master Plan and Capital Improvement Plan.

We would like to recognize Emilio Cancio-Bello for spearheading a grant application for a Road Surface Management System (RSMS). The grant will provide funding for the Central NH Regional Planning Commission to assist us in compiling an inventory of our roads and their surface conditions. All our roads will be inventoried for maintenance needs. The data which is collected will help us to set priorities for expenses associated with the maintenance of our gravel and paved roads and minimize major outlays due to deferred maintenance. This is no small undertaking. The Town of Sutton encompasses a 42.5 square mile area. Road data from GRANIT/NHDOT indicates that there are 114.3 miles of road in Sutton. There are 22.26 miles of paved road and 38.5 miles of unpaved roads which the Town maintains. There are also 13.2 miles of Class VI roads and 10.4 miles of private roads which are not maintained by the Town. The remainder of the roads are Class I (Routes 89 and 103, Class II (Route 114 and unnumbered state roads) and Class III (state recreation roads). Class I, II, and III roads are maintained by the state of NH.

Many of you commented on the $2.07 tax rate in 2013. It is important to note that the Town portion of the rate decreased by 21 cents. A table reflecting the variances from the year 2012 to 2013 follows:

	2012	2013	
State Education Taxes	2.48	2.44	-0.04
Local Education Taxes	9.98	12.26	2.28
Town Appropriation	6.25	6.04	-0.21
County Tax Rate	2.86	2.90	0.04
Total Tax Rate	21.57	23.64	2.07

Although it probably doesn't help your wallets to know what accounted for the increased rate, we want to assure you that we are working

diligently to keep the Town portion of the tax rate stable. We were also asked what factors are involved in determining the school tax rate, and why did Sutton's portion increase? It is very complicated, but this is the explanation provided by the District.

- The ADM (average daily membership of students from Sutton) increased from 252 to 285 in one year. That increase drove an overall combined % from 11.60235% (FY 2012-2013) to 13.03261% (FY 2013-2014).

- The method of calculating the overall percentage to each town is 60% of ADM plus 40% of Equalized Valuation.

- In addition to the increase in overall percentage for Sutton of 12.327% from FY 2012-2013 compared to FY 2013-2014, (The difference of 13.03261 minus 11.60235 equals 1.43026 Divide 1.43026 by 11.60235 which equals a 12.327% increase) The difference between the two total budgets increased by $1,481,481 (33,392,052 - 31,910,571).

- Approximately half of the 1.4 was due to increased expenses and the other half was due to a decrease in revenue between the two years.

We worked hard in 2013 to convey the need for a school resource officer. We met with the Joint Select Board as well as individually with our fellow Select Boards in the Kearsarge District. With the support of the majority of KRSD towns, funding for this position was included within the District's operating budget. In 2013, the Sutton Police Department responded to 215 calls from the schools out of a total of 1794 calls. The school resource officer's role is not limited to law enforcement. An SRO program is a proactive approach to deal with the pressures today's young people are dealing with. The role of a school resource officer is to:

- Investigate crimes that occur within the school and on school property;

- Create a positive role model for students;

- Create a link between law enforcement and students;

- Provide a resource for parents, staff, administration and students in regards to law enforcement and community problems.

We want to say a few words about our Highway Department who really "went the extra mile" this year. In addition to their regular duties, they were confronted with a number of unanticipated projects including

emergency repairs on Corporation Hill Road/Grist Mill Bridge, Birch Hill Road improvements and completion of the berm adjacent to the Highway Facility and the Pugliese property. Let's not forget the particularly fierce beginning to the winter season which doesn't appear to be calming down any time soon. All this happened late in the year and immediately after Paul Parker, our long time road agent, resigned. Kudos go to Stephen Bagley and his crew for their perseverance and all that they accomplished this year.

A High Five goes out to Fritz Pratt whose many efforts on behalf of the Town have not gone unnoticed by this Board. As long time trustee of the Old Store Museum, Fritz has cared for and advocated for the upkeep of this town treasure. Fritz also assists with the upkeep of the grounds around many of our historical buildings. When Fritz noticed that some of our "Welcome To Sutton, Enter Here to Be and Find a Friend" boundary markers were missing or in a state of disrepair, he donated replacement signs which were erected this year.

Let us not forget to mention our Town Historian, Jack Noon, our link between the past and present. Jack spent countless hours this year identifying historical documents and prioritizing records for historical preservation. As a result of Jack's hard work, two volumes of Muster Day and Civil War papers were preserved this year. The preservation project was funded through our capital reserve program.

Finally, two thumbs up go to all our staff members, elected and appointed public officials, committee members and volunteers for your professionalism and commitment to this Town. We encourage you to read the individual department reports contained herein which identify many of the notable achievements accomplished this year and discuss other organizations that are important to our community. We appreciate the feedback, suggestions and ideas that we have received through letters, attendance at meetings and public hearings from our residents, property owners and businesses.

Respectfully submitted,

SUTTON BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Walter Baker, Jr., Chair

Patricia McMahon, Selectwoman

Daniel Sundquist, Selectman

Historical Sutton in 2013

A number of developments:

–The town's considerable collection of Muster Day papers and Civil War Papers came back from the preservationist company cleaned, de-acidified, and mounted between clear plastic sheets. The papers now rest in the town historical safe in two separately labeled volumes. Their preservation was made possible by the accumulated capital reserve fund for preserving such documents.

– The Sutton Central School fifth graders with teacher Amy Lyons had two separate days examining original Sutton documents from way back. They had a session at the town hall looking at the Civil War papers just before I sent the papers off to the preservationist. Don Davis that day showed them Civil War letters and artifacts from his great-grandparents. His great-grandmother's first husband was killed during the war, and she married Don's great-grandfather who had written her the bad news. At Muster Field Farm the fifth graders studied typewritten versions along with the original handwritten letters from the 1840s that five of Matthew Harvey's granddaughters sent back to their parents from Lowell, where they were working in the textile mills. Shortly afterwards the class went on its field trip to the Lowell mills dressed as mill workers, wearing the same outfits they'd made in the fourth grade for Deb Cantrell's class. In the Ryder Corner schoolhouse at Muster Field Farm "Schoolmistress Cantrell" each year gives her students enough of a notion about old-time, no-nonsense schooling to make them glad they live in modern times. I am very pleased with the efforts the school has made to bring local history into its curriculum.

-The town's Old Store Museum has a new porch of pressure treated lumber that should last for decades. In addition, its floor has been thoroughly shored up with pressure treated vertical floor-joist supports down in the cellar. Marcia Harrison and Fritz Pratt have been cleaning out the attic. I have helped them a little by sorting through boxes of old books and papers to see what I might save from the mice and squirrels. Some old Farmers Almanacs were among the treasures. I have put them into the town historical safe. The earliest among the collection was an almanac from 1805.

–I became aware this past year that the Sutton Library has some historical treasures dating from the early 1800s. It holds many of the books from the Sutton, New London, and Fishersfield Liberty Social Library, which was in the Harvey Homestead at Muster Field Farm from 1796 to 1859.

The Province Road

There has been s o m e recent agitation to move the Province Road sign at the East Sutton cemetery. Some historical perspective would probably be helpful.

Governor John Wentworth, the last Royal Governor in New Hampshire, pushed ahead a number of highway projects, including our Province Road, which ran from Charlestown on the Connecticut River to Boscawen on the Merrimack. On October 18, 1768, a petition to the Governor informed him that some residents of Charlestown and adjoining towns had scouted out and partly cleared a route over to Boscawen and thought that it could be made into a good carriage road. An act of October 29th that year approved "Establishing and making Passable" the road. The following spring an additional act, about a year before our town got its first settler, designated three men to oversee construction of the "High Way Suitable for a Carriage Road." The town proprietors on July 2, 1770, hired John Knight, Thomas Wadleigh, Reuben Currier, and Samuel Peaslee as "a committee to clear the Roads," and probably had them work on the Province Road.



"A Plan of Perry's Town, So Called Somerburg according to the Original Plan Drawn by Mr. Timothy Clement who laid out Said Town Aduanced July 26 1771" (Traced by Jack Noon, 1997.)

Map of Sutton (Perry's Town) in 1771. N.H. Division of Forests [illegible] agreement and Andover. Moreover [illegible] pp. 60-67. Just before Matthew Harvey arrived in Sutton there were only a few footpaths in addition to the Province Road, (shown here with double lines) which ran between Charlestown and Boscawen. Matthew moved soon [illegible] to the north-central part of town and began clearing the land where his old homestead now stands.

A 1771 map of Perrystown (Sutton in 1784) shows where the Province Road ran in town. It entered from the west on today's Old Newbury Road, went up and over part of Dodge Hill, descended into South Sutton village by way of Dodge Hill Road to cross the Lane River at or near today's bridge over Route 114, then went along Meetinghouse Hill Road and up along perhaps two thirds of the Eaton Grange Road before descending to a route along the south side of Stevens Brook. It exited Sutton and entered the Kearsarge Gore section of Warner by crossing Stevens Brook exactly on today's town line between Sutton and Warner and not far from the North Road.

Around the time of the town's bicentennial anniversary of incorporation, selectman Bob Bristol wanted to "do something for East Sutton." He was responsible for the placement of the Province Road sign at the East Sutton cemetery, about a mile from where the Province Road actually ran, and beside a road that town records show wasn't cleared until 1818 as a horse path or "bridle road" and wasn't widened into a regular town road until 1824. Consequently, I would readily support the idea of moving the sign to some spot in Sutton where the Province Road actually ran.

Respectfully submitted,

Jack Noon

TOWN OF SUTTON
STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
TOWN WARRANT

To the inhabitants of the Town of Sutton in the County of Merrimack in said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs.

You are hereby notified to meet at Pillsbury Memorial Town Hall in said Sutton on Tuesday, the 11th day of March, 2014 next at eight of the clock in the forenoon (Polls to be open from 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.) to act on Articles 1 and 2 and 3. You are further notified to meet at the Kearsarge Regional High School, North Road in said Sutton on Wednesday, the 12th day of March, 2014 at seven of the clock in the evening, to act upon the remaining Articles.

Article 1: To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing.

Article 2: Are you in favor of amending the Town of Sutton Zoning Ordinance, as proposed by the Planning Board, as follows: to delete the current provisions of Article III, E regarding the regulation of the use of signs and replace it with language regulating the use of signs to include reducing size, clarifying the lighting and placement of signs, the use of temporary signs, prohibiting the use of off-premises signs, and further to amend provisions of Article XIV, Definitions, by deleting and inserting definitions consistent with the proposed changes to Article III, E.

Article 3: Are you in favor of having the office of town clerk combined with the office of tax collector, thereby creating a new office of town clerk-tax collector to be held by one individual for a three-year term. RSA 41:45-a. **This article was submitted by petition.**

Article 4: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $2,038,490 which represents the operating budget recommended by the Budget Committee shown in detail below. Said sum does not include amounts appropriated in other warrant articles.

4130	Executive	115,548
4140	Election & Registration	5,000
4150	Financial Administration	76,723
4150	Executive Financial Administration	19,900
4152	Revaluation of Property	6,000
4153	Legal Expense	22,500

4155	Personnel Administration	143,297
4191	Planning Board and Zoning	44,089
4194	General Government Buildings	25,340
4195	Cemeteries	14,000
4196	Insurance	69,600
4197	Regional Planning Commission	2,026
4210	Police Department	444,200
4215	Ambulance	42,334
4220	Fire Department	55,325
4240	Building Inspection	11,000
4290	Emergency Management	1,300
4299	Dispatching Services	20,684
4312	Highway Department	640,461
4313	Bridges	3,000
4316	Street Lighting	7,700
4324	Solid Waste Disposal	142,200
4411	Health Administration	2,000
4415	Health Agencies	5,339
4443	Welfare Admin. & Direct Assistance	19,025
4520	Culture & Recreation	11,663
4550	Library	39,755
4583	Patriotic Purposes	1,000
4611	Conservation Commission	3,110
4721	Debt Service	44,371

Recommended by the Budget Committee and the Board of Selectmen

Article 5: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $214,750 to be added to various Capital Reserve Funds previously established as follows:

Conservation Land	$ 7,000
Highway Equipment Trucks	50,000
Town Bridges	10,000
Solid Waste Facility	3,000
Forest Fire Equipment	250
Fire Equipment Replacement	50,000
Rescue Vehicle	10,000
Cemetery	5,000
Library Building Maintenance	3,000
Highway Facility Shed	10,000
Highway Pickup Truck	4,000
Fire Department Addition	25,000
Legal Fees	2,500
Highway Backhoe	30,000
Records Preservation	2,000
Pillsbury Memorial Hall	3,000

Recommended by the Budget Committee and the Board of Selectmen

Article 6: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $75,000 to repair and upgrade blacktop town roads.

Article 7: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $30,000 for the purpose of upgrading gravel town roads.

Article 8: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $390,000 for the purpose of purchasing a new Fire Truck and further, to authorize the withdrawal of $299,802 from the Fire Equipment Capital Reserve established in 2005 for that purpose and further to authorize the withdrawal of income of $6,836 from the Volunteer Fire Department Trust Fund and furthermore to authorize the issuance of notes of up to $83,362 in accordance with the Municipal Finance Act (RSA 33) and to authorize the Select Board to issue and negotiate such notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon.
Recommended by the Budget Committee and the Board of Selectmen

Article 9: To see if the Town will raise and appropriate up to $86,929 for the purpose of conducting a town-wide revaluation and to authorize the withdrawal of up to $86,929 from the Revaluation Capital Reserve Fund established for that purpose. No amount is to be raised by general taxation.
Recommended by the Budget Committee and the Board of Selectmen

Article 10: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $18,000 to replace the septic system of the Sutton Free Library.

Article 11: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $11,000 for the purpose of purchasing a network computer file server and network copy machine and scanner.

Article 12: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate $175,000 for repairs to the Grist Mill Bridge/Corporation Hill Road and further to authorize the withdrawal of $175,000 from the Town Bridge Capital Reserve Fund established in 1959 for that purpose. No amount is to be raised by taxation.
Recommended by the Budget Committee and the Board of Selectmen

Article 13: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $25,000 for the purpose of improvements to Birch Hill Road.

Article 14: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate $250,000 for the purpose of purchasing a grader, and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to trade-in the existing grader to reduce the purchase price and to authorize the withdrawal of up to $250,000 from the Highway Grader Capital Reserve Fund established in 2001 for that purpose. No amount is to be raised by taxation.

Recommended by the Budget Committee and the Board of Selectmen

Article 15: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $5,000 for the purpose of repairs to the Old Store Museum.

Article 16: To see if the Town will vote to change the method of selection of the Welfare Officer from elected to appointed by the Board of Selectmen. If approved, this vote shall be effective as of the next annual town election.

Article 17: To see if the Town will vote to change the method of selection of the Tax Collector from elected to appointed by the Board of Selectmen. If approved, this vote shall be effective as of the next annual town election.

Article 18: To see if the Town will change the method of compensation for the positions of Town Clerk and Tax Collector from salaried to hourly, with wage rates to be set by the Board of Selectmen, and to pay benefits on the same basis as benefits are paid to town employees under the Town's personnel plan. If approved, these changes will be effective April 1, 2014.

Article 19: To see if the Town will vote to increase line item 1-01-4150-102 from $3,000 to 6,798; the original wage requested which has been the original deputy town clerk and tax collector wage.
This is a petitioned article.
Not Recommended by the Budget Committee and the Board of Selectmen

To transact any other business that may legally come before the meeting.

Given under our hands and seal, this 10th day of February in the year of our Lord Two Thousand and Fourteen.

SUTTON BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Walter Baker, Jr., Chair

Patricia McMahon, Selectwoman

Daniel Sundquist, Selectman

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BUDGET OF A TOWN
WITH A MUNICIPAL BUDGET COMMITTEE

OF: Sutton, New Hampshire

BUDGET FORM FOR A TOWN WHICH HAS ADOPTED
THE PROVISIONS OF RSA 32:14 THROUGH 32:24

Appropriations and Estimates of Revenue for the Ensuing Year January 1, 2014 to December 31, 2014

or Fiscal Year From _____ to _____

IMPORTANT:

Please read RSA 32:5 applicable to all municipalities.

1. Use this form to list the operating budget and all special and individual warrant articles in the appropriate recommended and not recommended area. All proposed appropriations must be on this form.
2. Hold at least one public hearing on this budget.
3. When completed, a copy of the budget must be posted with the warrant. Another copy must be placed on file with the town clerk, and a copy sent to the Department of Revenue Administration at the address below within 20 days after the meeting.

This form was posted with the warrant on (Date): February 14, 2014

BUDGET COMMITTEE

Please sign in ink.

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined the information contained in this form and to the best of my belief it is true, correct and complete.

John Silverberg, Chair

Richard Benson

Robert DeFelice

Lynn King

Thomas Paul

George Wells, III

Patricia McMahon, Ex-Officio

THIS BUDGET SHALL BE POSTED WITH THE TOWN WARRANT

FOR DRA USE ONLY

NH DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION
MUNICIPAL SERVICES DIVISION
P.O. BOX 487, CONCORD, NH 03302-0487
(603)230-5090

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	GENERAL GOVERNMENT							
4130-4139	Executive	4	115,624.00	117,352.00	115,548.00		115,548.00	
4140-4149	Election,Reg.& Vital Statistics	4	3,020.00	1,429.00	5,000.00		5,000.00	
4150-4151	Financial Administration	4	96,214.00	90,544.00	96,623.00		96,623.00	
4152	Revaluation of Property	4	12,500.00	12,451.00	6,000.00		6,000.00	
4153	Legal Expense	4	22,500.00	23,460.00	22,500.00		22,500.00	
4155-4159	Personnel Administration	4	121,458.00	110,979.00	143,297.00		143,297.00	
4191-4193	Planning & Zoning	4	42,849.00	37,810.00	44,089.00		44,089.00	
4194	General Government Buildings	4	26,000.00	24,453.00	25,340.00		25,340.00	
4195	Cemeteries	4	14,000.00	11,590.00	14,000.00		14,000.00	
4196	Insurance	4	67,500.00	60,004.00	69,600.00		69,600.00	
4197	Advertising & Regional Assoc.	4	1,933.00	1,933.00	2,026.00		2,026.00	
4199	Other General Government							
	PUBLIC SAFETY							
4210-4214	Police	4	393,594.00	383,766.00	444,200.00		444,200.00	
4215-4219	Ambulance	4	41,655.00	40,455.00	42,334.00		42,334.00	
4220-4229	Fire	4	55,325.00	54,662.00	55,325.00		55,325.00	
4240-4249	Building Inspection	4	11,000.00	6,759.00	11,000.00		11,000.00	
4290-4298	Emergency Management	4	1,300.00	300.00	1,300.00		1,300.00	
4299	Other (Including Communications)	4	18,034.00	18,034.00	20,684.00		20,684.00	
	AIRPORT/AVIATION CENTER							
4301-4309	Airport Operations							
	HIGHWAYS & STREETS							
4311	Administration							
4312	Highways & Streets	4	685,284.00	594,771.00	640,461.00		640,461.00	
4313	Bridges	4	3,000.00	0.00	3,000.00		3,000.00	

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	HIGHWAYS & STREETS (cont.)							
4316	Street Lighting	4	9,228.00	6,905.00	7,700.00		7,700.00	
4319	Other							
	SANITATION							
4321	Administration							
4323	Solid Waste Collection							
4324	Solid Waste Disposal	4	145,600.00	130,075.00	142,200.00		142,200.00	
4325	Solid Waste Clean-up							
4326-4329	Sewage Coll. & Disposal & Other							
	WATER DISTRIBUTION & TREATMENT							
4331	Administration							
4332	Water Services							
4335-4339	Water Treatment, Conserv.& Other							
	ELECTRIC							
4351-4352	Admin. and Generation							
4353	Purchase Costs							
4354	Electric Equipment Maintenance							
4359	Other Electric Costs							
	HEALTH/WELFARE							
4411	Administration	4	2,000.00	1,322.00	2,000.00		2,000.00	
4414	Pest Control							
4415-4419	Health Agencies & Hosp. & Other	4	5,081.00	5,081.00	5,339.00		5,339.00	
4441-4442	Administration & Direct Assist.	4	19,025.00	15,741.00	19,025.00		19,025.00	
4444	Intergovernmental Welfare Payemnts							
4445-4449	Vendor Payments & Other							

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	CULTURE & RECREATION							
4520-4529	Parks & Recreation	4	10,713	10,713	11,663		11,663	
4550-4559	Library	4	35,319	29,954	39,755		39,755	
4583	Patriotic Purposes	4	1,000	685	1,000		1,000	
4589	Other Culture & Recreation							
	CONSERVATION							
4611-4612	Admin.& Purch. of Nat. Resources							
4619	Other Conservation	4	3,110	2,340	3,110		3,110	
4631-4632	Redevelopment and Housing							
4651-4659	Economic Development							
	DEBT SERVICE							
4711	Princ.- Long Term Bonds & Notes	4	20,202	19,542	20,882		20,882	
4721	Interest-Long Term Bonds & Notes	4	21,171	21,829	20,489		20,489	
4723	Int. on Tax Anticipation Notes	4	5,000	915	2,000		2,000	
4790-4799	Other Debt Service	4	1,000	37	1,000		1,000	
	CAPITAL OUTLAY							
4901	Land							
4902	Machinery, Vehicles & Equipment							
4903	Buildings							
4909	Improvements Other Than Bldgs.							
	OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT							
4912	To Special Revenue Fund							
4913	To Capital Projects Fund							
4914	To Enterprise Fund							
	- Sewer							
	- Water							

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ACCT.#	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3,V)	OP Bud. Warr. Art.#	Appropriations Prior Year As Approved by DRA	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	SELECTMEN'S APPROPRIATIONS Ensuing Fiscal Year (Recommended)	(Not Recommended)	BUDGET COMMITTEE'S APPROPRIATIONS Ensuing Fiscal Year (Recommended)	(Not Recommended)
	OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT (cont.)							
	- Electric							
	- Airport							
4918	To Nonexpendable Trust Funds							
4919	To Fiduciary Funds							
OPERATING BUDGET TOTAL			2,011,239	1,835,891	2,038,490		2,038,490	

SPECIAL WARRANT ARTICLES

Special warrant articles are defined in RSA 32:3,VI, as appropriations: 1) in petitioned warrant articles; 2) appropriations raised by bonds or notes; 3) appropriations to or from a separate fund created pursuant to law, such as capital reserve funds or trusts funds; or 4) an appropriation designated on the warrant as a special article or as a nonlapsing or nontransferable article.

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ACCT.#	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3,V)	Warr. Art.#	Appropriations Prior Year As Approved by DRA	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	SELECTMEN'S APPROPRIATIONS Ensuing Fiscal Year (Recommended)	(Not Recommended)	BUDGET COMMITTEE'S APPROPRIATIONS Ensuing Fiscal Year (Recommended)	(Not Recommended)
4915	To Capital Reserve Fund	5	162,250.00	162,250.00	214,750.00		214,750.00	
4916	To Exp.Tr.Fund							
4917	To Health Maint. Trust Funds							
4220	Fire Truck	8			390,000.00		390,000.00	
4152	Revaluation	9			86,929.00		86,929.00	
4312	Corporation Hill Grist Mill	12			175,000.00		175,000.00	
4312	Grader	14			250,000.00		250,000.00	
4150	Deputy Town Clerk & Tax Collector	19				3,798.00		3,798
SPECIAL ARTICLES RECOMMENDED					1,116,679.00		1,116,679.00	

INDIVIDUAL WARRANT ARTICLES

"Individual" warrant articles are not necessarily the same as "special warrant articles". An example of an individual warrant article might be negotiated cost items for labor agreements, leases or items of a one time nature you wish to address individually.

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ACCT.#	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3,V)	Warr. Art.#	Appropriations Prior Year As Approved by DRA	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	SELECTMEN'S APPROPRIATIONS Ensuing Fiscal Year (Recommended)	(Not Recommended)	BUDGET COMMITTEE'S APPROPRIATIONS Ensuing Fiscal Year (Recommended)	(Not Recommended)
4312	Gravel Road Upgrade	7	33,000.00	12,178.00	30,000.00		30,000.00	
4312	Blacktop Upgrade	6	50,000.00		75,000.00		75,000.00	
4550	Library Septic System	10			18,000.00		18,000.00	
4130	Computer File Server/Coper	11			11,000.00		11,000.00	
4312	Birch Hill Road	13			25,000.00		25,000.00	
4520	Old Store Museum	15	10,000.00	5,376.00	5,000.00		5,000.00	
INDIVIDUAL ARTICLES RECOMMENDED					164,000.00		164,000.00	

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ACCT.#	SOURCE OF REVENUE	Warr. Art.#	Actual Revenues Prior Year	Selectmen's Estimated Revenues	Budget Committee's Est. Revenues
	TAXES				
3120	Land Use Change Taxes - General Fund				
3180	Resident Taxes				
3185	Yield Taxes	4	24,686.66	26,000.00	26,000.00
3186	Payment in Lieu of Taxes				
3189	Other Taxes				
3190	Interest & Penalties on Delinquent Taxes	4	48,208.41	45,000.00	45,000.00
	Inventory Penalties				
3187	Excavation Tax ($.02 cents per cu yd)	4	311.00	150.00	150.00
	LICENSES, PERMITS & FEES				
3210	Business Licenses & Permits				
3220	Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	4	322,817.50	310,000.00	310,000.00
3230	Building Permits	4	3,150.00	3,000.00	3,000.00
3290	Other Licenses, Permits & Fees	4	5,071.93	5,000.00	5,000.00
3311-3319	**FROM FEDERAL GOVERNMENT**				
	FROM STATE				
3351	Shared Revenues				
3352	Meals & Rooms Tax Distribution	4	81,984.14	82,000.00	82,000.00
3353	Highway Block Grant	4	93,951.13	92,000.00	92,000.00
3354	Water Pollution Grant				
3355	Housing & Community Development				
3356	State & Federal Forest Land Reimbursement	4	21.07	21.00	21.00
3357	Flood Control Reimbursement	4	89.62		
3359	Other (Including Railroad Tax)			32,501.00	32,501.00
3379	**FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTS**				
	CHARGES FOR SERVICES				
3401-3406	Income from Departments	4	57,628.46	56,000.00	56,000.00
3409	Other Charges			1.00	1.00
	MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES				
3501	Sale of Municipal Property	4	17,675.00	1.00	1.00
3502	Interest on Investments	4	683.85	650.00	650.00
3503-3509	Other	4	27,259.76	14,576.00	14,576.00
	INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFERS IN				
3912	From Special Revenue Funds				
3913	From Capital Projects Funds				

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ACCT.#	SOURCE OF REVENUE	Warr. Art.#	Actual Revenues Prior Year	Selectmen's Estimated Revenues	Budget Committee's Est. Revenues
	INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFERS IN (cont.)				
3914	From Enterprise Funds				
	Sewer - (Offset)				
	Water - (Offset)				
	Electric - (Offset)				
	Airport - (Offset)				
3915	From Capital Reserve Funds	4	210,893.00	864,062.00	864,062.00
3916	From Trust & Fiduciary Funds	4	2,864.00	9,700.00	9,700.00
3917	Transfers from Conservation Funds				
	OTHER FINANCING SOURCES				
3934	Proc. from Long Term Bonds & Notes			83,361.00	83,361.00
	Amounts Voted From Fund Balance				
	Estimated Fund Balance to Reduce Taxes	4	93,200.00	85,000.00	85,000.00
	TOTAL ESTIMATED REVENUE & CREDITS		990,495.53	1,709,023.00	1,709,023.00

BUDGET SUMMARY

	PRIOR YEAR ADOPTED BUDGET	SELECTMEN'S RECOMMENDED BUDGET	BUDGET COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDED BUDGET
Operating Budget Appropriations Recommended (from pg. 5)	2,011,239	2,038,490	2,038,490
Special Warrant Articles Recommended (from pg. 6)	162,250	1,116,679	1,116,679
Individual Warrant Articles Recommended (from pg. 6)	331,000	164,000	164,000
TOTAL Appropriations Recommended	2,504,489	3,319,169	3,319,169
Less: Amount of Estimated Revenues & Credits (from above)	990,495.53	1,709,023	1,709,023
Estimated Amount of Taxes to be Raised	1,513,993.47	1,610,146.00	1,610,146.00

Maximum Allowable Increase to Budget Committee's Recommended Budget per RSA 32:18: 3,646,949
(See Supplemental Schedule With 10% Calculation) 327,780

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Notes

TOWN OF SUTTON, STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
TOWN MEETING MARCH 13, 2013

Kearsarge Regional High School Auditorium, North Sutton, NH

7:05 p.m. meeting called to order. Moderator Greg Gill welcomed all those present. He went over the safety routes and bathroom facility locations.

Pledge of Allegiance and Moment of Silence.

Reviewed the election results from the school district.

352 votes cast. There were 19 votes where no one voted for any office. The moderator asked that those present remind people that their vote does count.

Results are as follows:

Selectmen – to be determined later after recount
Overseer of Public Welfare – COURTNEY HAASE
Budget Committee – GEORGE WELLS, III & TOM PAUL
Cemetery Commission – JERRY GAGNON
Town Clerk/Tax Collector – LINDA FORD
Trustee of the Trust Funds – to be appointed by select board
Trustees, Sutton Free Library – CARRIE THOMAS & BETH CERNEK

Article 1: To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing.

Passed by Town Vote

Article 2	Passed by Town Vote
Article 3	Passed by Town Vote
Article 4	Passed by Town Vote
Article 5	Passed by Town Vote
Article 6	Passed by Town Vote
Article 7	Passed by Town Vote
Article 8	Passed by Town Vote
Article 9	Passed by Town Vote
Article 10	Passed by Town Vote
Article 11	Passed by Town Vote

Article 12 Passed by Town Vote
Article 13 Passed by Town Vote
Article 14 Passed by Town Vote
Article 15 Passed by Town Vote

School Ballot

Question 1 A = 73
B = 131
C = 132 Town of Sutton Passed
Question 2 passed 209 to 136
Question 3 passed 212 to 126
Moderator – Brackett Scheffy
School Board – Emilio Cancio-Bello
Municipal Budget Committee – Bob DeFelice

Recognition given to those Vietnam veterans in attendance. Recognition was also given to those other veterans in attendance.

Recognition to Bob Wright, Jr. for his 9 years of service as Town Selectmen. Recognition of Paul Parker, Road Agent for his 25 years of service to the Town of Sutton.

A motion was made to suspend the reading of the Town Warrant by Charlie Whittemore. Charles Ash 2nd.

Moderator went over rules of the day. Moderator requested that all electronic devices be turned off unless you were in safety services. He also asked that those individuals who were not town residents seat themselves at the back of the auditorium. He went over how voting would be done.

One correction to the Town Report. On page 62 the information is incomplete. The summary page was handed out to those who wanted it.

Article 16: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $2,011,239 which represents the operating budget recommended by the Budget Committee shown in detail below. Said sum does not include amounts appropriated in other warrant articles.

4130	Executive	$115,624
4140	Election & Registration	3,020
4150	Financial Administration	77,654`
4150	Executive Financial Administration	18,560
4152	Revaluation of Property	12,500
4153	Legal Expense	22,500

4155	Personnel Administration	121,458
4191	Planning Board and Zoning	42,849
4194	General Government Buildings	26,000
4195	Cemeteries	14,000
4196	Insurance	67,500
4197	Regional Planning Commission	1,933
4210	Police Department	393,594
4215	Ambulance	41,655
4220	Fire Department	55,325
4240	Building Inspection	11,000
4290	Emergency Management	1,300
4299	Dispatching Services	18,034
4312	Highway Department	685,284
4313	Bridges	3,000
4316	Street Lighting	9,228
4324	Solid Waste Disposal	145,600
4411	Health Administration	2,000
4415	Health Agencies	5,081
4443	Welfare Admin. & Direct Assistance	19,025
4520	Culture & Recreation	10,713
4550	Library	35,319
4583	Patriotic Purposes	1,000
4611	Conservation Commission	3,110
4711	Principal Long Term Bonds & Notes	20,202
4721	Interest Long Term Bonds and Notes	21,171
4723	Interest on Tax Anticipation Notes	5,000
4790	Other Debt Service	1,000

Recommended by the Budget Committee and the Board of Selectmen.

Motion made by Robert Wright, Jr. and 2nd by Jean LaChance to accept Article 16 as read.

Article Passed

Article 17: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $162,250 to be added to various Capital Reserve Funds previously established as follows:

Conservation Land	$ 10,000
Forest Fire Equipment	250
Fire Equipment Replacement	50,000
Rescue Vehicle	10,000
Property Revaluation	25,000
Cemetery	5,000
Library Building Maintenance	1,000
Highway Facility Shed	10,000

Highway Pickup Truck	4,000
Fire Department Addition	25,000
Highway Backhoe	10,000
Highway Loader	10,000
Records Preservation	2,000

Recommended by the Budget Committee and the Board of Selectmen.

Motion made by Robert DeFelice and 2nd by Emilio Cancio-Bello to accept Article 17 as read.

Motion made by Richard Deschenes and 2nd by Charles Forsberg to amend Article 17 to cut the total amount raised and appropriated to $81,125 which is half of $162,250.

Amendment to Article 17 failed.

Article Passed

Article 18: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $50,000 to upgrade blacktop town roads.

Motion made by Emilio Cancio-Bello and 2nd by Robert DeFelice to accept Article 18 as read.

Article Passed

Article 19: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $33,000 for the purpose of upgrading gravel town roads.

Motion made by Emilio Cancio-Bello and 2nd by Mike McManus to accept Article 19 as read.

Motion made by Mike McManus and 2nd by Valerie Crone to amend Article 19 to raise and appropriate the sum of $50,000.

Amendment to Article 19 failed.

Article Passed

Article 20: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $145,000 for the purpose of purchasing a new equipped six-wheel dump truck and to authorize the withdrawal of $125,000 from the Highway Equipment Capital Reserve established in 1993 for that purpose. The balance of $20,000 is to be raised by general

taxation. **Recommended by the Budget Committee and the Board of Selectmen.**

Motion made by Robert Wright, Jr. and 2nd by Charles Ash to accept Article 20 as read.

Article Passed

Article 21: To see if the Town will raise and appropriate up to $82,000.00 for the purchase and associated costs of a purchase for conservation purposes of a parcel of land owned by Thomas and Janet Paul, located on Kings Hill Road and identified in the Town's tax records as Map 8 Lot 527,461 and further, to authorize the withdrawal of up to $82,000 from the Conservation Commission Land Capital Reserve Fund, established in 2005 for the purpose of acquiring land for conservation purposes, for that purpose. No amount is to be raised by general taxation. **Recommended by the Budget Committee and the Board of Selectmen.**

Motion made by Betsy Forsham and 2nd by Jean LaChance to accept Article 21 as read.

Article Passed

Article 22: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $11,000 to replace an oil burner in the Pillsbury Memorial Hall and to authorize the withdrawal of $5,000 from the Pillsbury Memorial Hall Capital Reserve established in 2011 for that purpose. The balance of $6,000 is to be raised by general taxation. **Recommended by the Budget Committee and the Board of Selectmen.**

Motion was made by Robert Wright, Jr. and 2nd by Robert DeFelice to accept Article 22 as read.

Article Passed

Article 23: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $10,000 for the purpose of performing structural repairs and replace the roof on the Old Store Museum.

Motion made by Robert Wright Jr. and 2nd by Charles Forsberg to accept Article 23 as read.

Article Passed

Article 24: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $50,040 to fund the position of a full-time School Resource Officer for up to a six month period, and further to authorize the acceptance of $25,000 from the Kearsarge Regional School District for the funding of this position, to be voted on by the Kearsarge Regional School District. The total amount to be raised by taxation is $25,040. If the Kearsarge Regional School District does not approve the ballot vote which includes the Resource Officer funding, this article will be passed over.

This article was passed over as it did not pass on Election Day March 12, 2013.

Article 25: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate $5,000 to line North Road and Gile Pond Roads. The total distance to be lined is 2 miles.

Motion made by Emilio Cancio-Bello and 2nd by Sondra Brake to accept Article 25 as read.

Article Failed

Article 26: Shall the town of Sutton accept the provisions of RSA 202-A:4-d allowing the Sutton Free Library Trustees to accept gifts of personal property, other than money, which are donated to the library, said authority to remain in effect until rescinded by vote at town meeting?

Motion made by Brian Tilton and 2nd by Eleanor Alleman to accept Article 26 as read.

Article Passed

Article 27: Shall the Town of Sutton change the composition of the Board of Trustees for the Sutton Free Library from six members to five, so that the Board may comply with the provisions of RSA 202-A:6 requiring an odd number of trustees?

Motion made by Mike McManus and 2nd by Robert DeFelice to accept Article 27 as read.

Article Passed

Article 28: To transact any other business that may legally come before the meeting. Given under our hands and seal, this Thirteenth day of March in the year of our Lord Two Thousand and Thirteen.

Motion made by Darrel Palmer and 2nd by Robert Wright, Jr. to adjourn meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 9:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda D. Ford
Town Clerk
Tax Collector

TOWN OF SUTTON
MARCH 12, 2013 ELECTION
NIGHT RESULTS

Election of Officers of the Town of Sutton and the Kearsarge Regional School District were held at the Pillsbury Town Hall on March 12, 2013. The polls were open from eight 'o clock in the forenoon until seven o'clock in the afternoon. The results are as follows:

Number of Registered Voters in Sutton, NH =	1469
Total Number of Votes Cast on Election Day =	352

Selectmen -	Brian Tilton -	134
	Andrew Palmer -	63
	Daniel A. Sundquist –	136
Recount Results	Brian Tilton –	134
	Andrew Palmer –	63
	Daniel A. Sundquist -	137
Overseer of Public Welfare -	Courtney Haase –	317
Write-Ins -	Jean LaChance –	1
	Jack Noon –	1
	Jeannette Couch –	1
	Darrel Palmer -	1
Budget Committee -	George G. Wells, III -	263
	Thomas C. Paul –	259
Write-Ins -	Brian Tilton –	1
	Cathy Baker –	1
	Dick Deschenes –	1
	Andy Palmer –	1
	Robert DeFelice –	3
	Alison Jones –	1
	Richard DeFelice –	2
	Mark Loehr –	2
	Jeannete Couch –	1

Cemetery Commission

Write-Ins -	Jerry Gagnon –	44
	Matt Grimes –	1
	Cory Cochran –	3

	Bud Nelson –	1
	Garrett Evans –	1
	Pete Thompson –	2
	Gary Wilcox –	1
	Tom Paul –	1
	Betsy Forsham –	1
	Harold Rowe –	1
	Darrel Palmer –	2
	Robert Harrington –	4
	Norma Burns –	1
	James Luca -	1
Town Clerk/Tax Collector -	Linda Ford –	303
Write-Ins -	Lynn King –	1
	Lori Himes -	2
Trustees of the Trust Funds -	Undecided – will be addressed before Town Meeting	
Write-Ins -	Wendy Grimes –	1
	Bud Nelson –	1
	Roger Lamson –	1
	Linda Ford –	2 (ineligible)
	Brian Thompson –	1
	Carrie Thomas –	1
	Tom Brooks –	1
	Robert DeFelice –	1
	Loring Ford –	1
	Tom Paul –	6
	Betsy Forsham –	1
	Shreve Soule –	1
	Gary Wilcox –	1
	Norma Burns –	1
	Pete Thompson –	1
	Brian Tilton –	1
	David Paradis –	1
	Eric Gregoire –	1
	Steve Hamilton -	1
Trustees, Sutton Free Library -	Carrie Thomas -	288
	Elizabeth (Beth) Cernek –	286
Write-Ins -	Jennifer Carson –	1

Article 2 - YES - 262
NO - 49

Article 3 -	YES - 265 NO - 47
Article 4 -	YES - 249 NO - 59
Article 5 -	YES - 266 NO - 45
Article 6 -	YES - 237 NO - 73
Article 7 -	YES - 226 NO - 90
Article 8 -	YES - 242 NO - 69
Article 9 -	YES - 230 NO - 76
Article 10 -	YES - 240 NO - 71
Article 11 -	YES- 232 NO - 93
Article 12 -	YES - 212 NO - 106
Article 13 -	YES - 233 NO - 88
Article 14 -	YES - 266 NO – 62
Article 15 -	YES – 307 NO - 34
Question 1 -	A - 73 B - 131 C - 132
Question 2 -	YES - 209 NO - 136
Question 3 -	YES - 212 NO - 126

Moderator –	Brackett Scheffy –	292
Write-Ins -	Gill – 3	
	Bob Bowers –	1
	Bob DeFelice –	1
School Board –	Emelio Cancio-Bello -	282
Write-Ins -	Diane Sullivan –	1
	Ben Butler –	1
	Joe Burns –	1
	Jack Noon –	1
	Pete Thompson –	1
	Bob DeFelice –	1
	Bruce Kozikowski –	1
	Chris Rowe –	1
	Tom Paul -	1
	Jack Dyer –	1

Municipal Budget Committee

Write-Ins -	Robert DeFelice –	34
	Patty Mapes –	1
	George G. Wells –	2
	Pete Thompson –	2
	Harry McGee –	1
	Eric Gregoire –	1
	Sidney Crosby –	1
	Heidi Thoma –	1
	Beats Me –	1
	Bob Wright –	1
	Neal Nelson –	1
	Tom Ware –	1
	Tom Paul –	3
	Sara Blake –	2
	Richard Deschenes –	4
	William Hallahan –	1
	Bud Nelson –	3
	Brian Tilton –	1
	Greg Gill –	1
	Wayne Grover –	1
	Ricia McMahon –	1
	Charles Forsberg -	3
	Ernest Brake –	3
	Steve King –	1
	Roger Lampson –	1
	One –	1
	Ben Butler –	1
	Gerald Gagnon –	1

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Members of the Selectboard and Management
Town of Sutton, New Hampshire

Report on the Financial Statements. We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Sutton, New Hampshire as of and for the year ended December 31, 2013, which collectively comprise the Town's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements. Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. This includes the design, implementation and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from materials misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's Responsibility. Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the basic financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of risks of material misstatement of the financial statement, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluation the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluation the overall presentation of the financial statements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Opinion. In our opinion, the basic financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the governmental activities, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Sutton, New Hampshire, as of December 31, 2013, and the respective changes in financial position thereof for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Report on Required Supplementary Information. The management discussion and analysis beginning on page ii and the section marked *Required Supplementary Information* is not a required part of the basic financial statements, but is supplementary information required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board. We have applied certain limited procedures, which consisted principally of inquiries of management regarding the methods of measurement and presentation of the required supplementary information. However, we did not audit the information and therefore express no opinion on it.

Report on Combining and Individual Fund Statements and Schedules. Our audit was performed for the purpose of forming opinions on the basic financial statements taken as a whole. The accompanying schedules listed in the table of contents are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly presented in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

Paul J. Mercier, Jr. cpa for

The Mercier Group, *a professional corporation*
Canterbury, New Hampshire
February 10, 2014

Town Administrator's Report 2013

The following is a synopsis of the "state" of the Town's finances at year end. The Town's undesignated fund balance at year's end was $643,872.24, up $126,027 from the prior year. The Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA) suggests that municipalities retain between 8% and 17% of regular general fund operating expenditures. In NH, this is calculated by adding the municipality's general fund operating appropriations, the education tax amount, the local school net tax commitment and the county appropriation.

The Budget Committee and Select Board have recommended using $85,000 in undesignated fund balance to offset the tax rate in 2014. The fund balance can provide the Town with cash flow between tax issues so that we do not have to take out a Tax Anticipation Note (TAN). Fund balance may also be used in conjunction with major tax appeals. The Town of Sutton, along with most NH municipalities, is currently facing a 2012 tax appeal by our phone carrier.

Revenues were higher this year and were actually $42,290 over the original 2013 budget. Expenditures were under budget this year. These two factors accounted for the increase in fund balance. Any unexpended funds that were not encumbered at year's end were returned to the undesignated fund balance. In 2013, funds were encumbered for the upgrade of blacktop roads ($125,480 combined 2012 and 2013), upgrade of gravel roads ($20,822) and repairs to the Old Store Museum ($4,624) totaling $150,926. In 2013, the Town used $93,200 from fund balance to offset the tax rate.

The total tax rate for 2013 was $23.64, up $2.07 from last year. Sutton's portion of the tax reflected a .21 cent decrease from the previous year. Other factors that make up the total tax rate are the Local School Rate (KRSD) at $12.26, the State School Rate at $2.44 and the County Rate at $2.90. The overall increase in the tax rate was directly related to a $2.28 increase in the Local School Rate. The State School Rate went down .04 cents and the County Rate went up .04 cents. In 2013, Sutton's property valuation went up by $1,120,873 to a total valuation of $269,490,523. The Town's equalization ratio was set at 101.9% which means that the Town's assessment is only slightly higher than market values.

It was a long, cold winter – so I'd like to extend my heartfelt gratitude on behalf of myself, my co-workers, the Board, Committees and citizens who frequent the Pillsbury Memorial Hall – thank you for funding our new oil burner in 2013.

As always, please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions, suggestions or concerns.

Respectfully submitted,

Elly Phillips, Town Administrator

2013 Tax Rate Calculation

TOWN/CITY: SUTTON

Gross Appropriations	2,504,489.00			
Less: Revenues	952,535.00			
Less: Shared Revenues	0.00			
Add: Overlay	10,004.00			
War Service Credits	66,000.00			
Net Town Appropriation		1,627,958.00		
Special Adjustment				
Approved Town/City Tax Effort			1,627,958.00	**TOWN RATE 6.04**
SCHOOL PORTION				
Net Local School Budget (Gross Approp.- Revenue)		0.00		
Regional School Apportionment		4,351,856.00		
Less Adequate Education Grant		396,991.00		
State Education Taxes		649,730.00		**LOCAL**
Approved School(s) Tax Effort			3,305,135.00	**SCHOOL RATE 12.26**
STATE EDUCATION TAXES				
Equalized Valuation (no utilities) x		2.435		**STATE**
266,829,751			649,730.00	**SCHOOL RATE**
Divide by Local Assessed Valuation (no utilities)				**2.44**
266,686,071				
COUNTY PORTION				
Due to County		781,091.00		
Less: Shared Revenues				
Approved County Tax Effort			781,091.00	**COUNTY RATE 2.90**
				TOTAL RATE 23.64
Total Property Taxes Assessed		6,363,914.00		
Less: War Service Credits		(66,000.00)		
Add: Village District Commitment(s)		0.00		
Total Property Tax Commitment		6,297,914.00		

PROOF OF RATE

Net Assessed Valuation		**Tax Rate**	**Assessment**
State Education Tax (no utilities)	266,686,071.00	2.44	649,730.00
All Other Taxes	269,490,523.00	2,120.00	5,714,184.00
			6,363,914.00

2013 Sutton
Tax Rate Comparison

	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
State Education Taxes	2.70	2.64	2.14	2.15	2.16	2.24	2.45	2.37	2.48	2.44
Local Education Taxes	7.42	8.49	7.00	8.06	8.12	8.42	9.79	10.28	9.98	12.26
Town Appropriation	5.76	7.05	4.99	4.99	5.45	5.19	5.85	6.25	6.25	6.04
County Tax Rate	2.07	2.56	2.00	2.23	2.60	2.48	2.74	2.86	2.86	2.90
Total Tax Rate	17.95	20.74	16.13	17.43	18.33	18.33	20.83	21.76	21.57	23.64

2013 Inventory Valuation

Value of Land Only	Number of Acres	2013 Assessed Vaulation
Current Use at Current Use Values	18,464.73	$1,379,428.00
Residential Land (Improved and Unimproved)	4,804.66	$109,250,290.00
Commercial and Industrial Land	490.39	$2,904,903.00
Total of Taxable Land	23,759.78	113,534,621.00
Tax Exempt and Non Taxable Land	2,134.42	$11,387,715.00

Value of Buildings Only	
Residential	$145,185,830.00
Manufactured Housing as defined in RSA 674:31	$85,610.00
Commercial & Industrial (not including utilities)	$8,570,010.00
Total of Taxable Buildings	$153,841,450.00
Tax Exempt and Non Taxable Buildings	$25,632,710.00
Utilties	$2,804,452.00
Valuations Before Exemptions	$270,180,523.00

Elderly Exemption		
Total # Granted	9	$690,000.00
Net Valuation		$269,490,523.00
Less Utilities		$2,804,452.00
Net Valuation without Utilities to Compute State Education Tax		$266,686,071.00

Veterans Tax Credit		
Veterans Tax Credit $500	120	$60,000.00
Tax Credit for Service Connected Disability $2000	3	$6,000.00

Current Use Report		
Farmland	514.17	$202,940.00
Forestland	16887.45	$1,162,863.00
Forestland with documented Stewardship	97.96	$3,610.00
Unproductive Land	359.89	$3,394.00
Wetland	605.26	$6,621.00
Total	18464.73	$1,379,428.00

Acres Receiving 20% Recreational Adjustment	8094.43
Removed From Current Use During the Year	0.34
Total Number of Owners in Current Use	309
Total Number of Parcels in Current Use	450

Town of Sutton Balance Sheet
December 31, 2013

Assets

Cash & Investments in hands of Treasurer:		
Cash in Checking	$1,741,589.68	
Investment Account		
Sutton Free Library	3,260.61	
Conservation Commission	92,221.81	
King Hill Reservation	7,549.68	
Cash in perfomance deposits	21,672.62	$1,866,294.40
Capital & Non-Capital Reserve Fund Investments		1,650,459.39
Uncollected Taxes:		
Property	503,108.55	
Timber yield	1,184.54	
Excavated material	20.20	
Land use change tax (100% to CC)	6,278.00	
Unredeemed Taxes:		
Levies of 1 prior year	100,011.67	
Levies of 2 prior years	59,039.73	
Levies of prior years	10,971.07	
Statutory deferrals	9,031.22	
Allowance for uncollectible taxes	(5,000.00)	684,644.98
Accounts Receivable		855.00
		$4,202,253.77

Liabilities and Equity

Accounts Payable & accrued expenses		$660.13
Deferred Revenue		250,000.00
Encumbrances:		
11/04 Upgrade Blacktop Roads	25,480.00	
12/05 Upgrade Blacktop Roads	50,000.00	
13/18 Upgrade Blacktop Roads	50,000.00	
13/19 Upgrade Gravel Roads	20,821.77	
13/23 Old Store Museum Repairs	4,624.02	150,925.79
Sutton Free Library		3,260.61
Conservation Commission		98,499.81
King Hill Reservation		7,549.68
Performance Deposits		21,672.62
Due to School District		1,375,353.50
Capital & Non-Capital Reserve Funds:		
Town Bridges	177,379.77	
Forest Fire Equipment	3,991.45	
Solid Waste/Transfer Station	52,245.70	
Legal Fees	23,000.78	
Highway Department Equipment	72,067.04	
Revaluation	86,929.81	
Highway Garage Addition	30,258.57	
Highway Pick-up Truck	8,111.72	
Highway Grader	302,329.80	
Highway Loader	225,387.89	
Fire Equipment	249,802.95	
Conservation Land	80,721.35	
Highway Emergency Equipment	19,681.11	
Milfoil	22,712.24	
Fire Department Maintenance	2,309.10	
Library Maintenance	2,153.81	
Cemetery Maintenance	1,153.81	
Fire Department Addition	216,397.81	
Records Preservation	9.23	
Highway Backhoe	30,019.05	
Rescue Vehicle	25,017.16	
Pillsbury Memorial Hall	1,005.36	
Cemetery Land	10,001.74	
Forest Fire Salaries	4,503.88	
Accrued Benefits	3,268.26	1,650,459.39
		3,558,381.53
Unreserved Fund Balance		643,872.24
		$4,202,253.77

Report from the Town Clerk Tax Collector's Office

This year has been a very interesting year to say the least. I've learned a lot about myself and those I work with. Some of it was good and some of it was not so good. I am hoping that the ensuing year will bring more happiness to those around me and therefore make my job easier and less stressful. I read in a book a perfect little ditty for daily life. It goes like this "The time to quit something is when you no longer feel the passion and drive that brought you to it in the first place". I read this sign every day. I still feel that passion as soon as the first person comes in to the office every single day. I have high hopes that I will sustain this passion for years to come. Without you, the town's people, I am not sure I would be able to do this job. You have all made it so easy to work for you and I THANK YOU for that.

Again I want to THANK the Highway Garage guys for taking good care of me throughout the year. They are always willing to do the heavy lifting when I need it. I want to say Goodbye to Paul Parker. I'm going to miss you.

I would also like to THANK John/Tammy Csutor and Sol/Katherine Solomon for allowing me to park in their driveways during Elections.

This year I graduated as a Certified Town Clerk from the Town Clerk/ Tax Collector Joint Certification Program. Next year I will graduate as a certified Tax Collector. I have also obtained my degree in accounting this year.

Please remember that all dogs in the Town of Sutton must be licensed by April 30th of each year.

Office hours are as follows:

Monday Noon to 5:45 p.m.
Tuesday and Wednesday 8:00 a.m. to 2:45 p.m.
Thursday 8:00 a.m. to 3:45 p.m.

The office closes down 15 minutes prior to closing so that end of day closings can be done, therefore money is not spent on overtime.

I am in the process of starting an e-mail data base. If you want to be added to the list, please e-mail me at lfordtctc@hotmail.com and I will add your name to the list. I will be using this e-mail for updates and any information that needs to be passed along from the Town Clerk and Tax Collector's offices.

Here is to saying goodbye to 2013 and hello to 2014 May she bring happiness to us all.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda D. Ford
Town Clerk
Tax Collector

Report of the Town Clerk
For the Period of
January 1, 2013 – December 31, 2013

Location Town MA Fee	$9,326.00
Aquatherm	$1.00
Checklist Fee	$155.00
Basic License	$264.00
Dog Group 5+	$136.50
Dog Altered	$1,594.00
Dog Civil Forfeiture	$782.11
Dog Late Town of Sutton	$54.50
Dog Senior	$124.50
Dog State Fees	$879.50
Dog State Tag	$266.50
Loc. Town Permit Fees	$318,710.00
Marriage License	$450.00
Mail In Fee	$217.64
Miscellaneous	$73.32
Loc. Town Clerk Fees	$3,051.00
Loc. Town Title Fees	$704.00
Loc. Town Trans Fee	$905.00
UCC	$240.00
Vital 2nd Copy	$140.00
Vital 1st Copy	$435.00
Wetland Filing Fee	$45.00
Refunds	-$5.00
Total Remittance to Treasurer for 2013	$338,554.57
Refund	-$5.00
	$338,549.57

Respectfully Submitted,

Linda D. Ford
Town Clerk/Tax Collector

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REPORT OF THE TRUST FUNDS OF THE TOWN OF SUTTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE **FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2013**

				PRINCIPAL								GRAND TOTAL
Date of Creation	NAME OF TRUST FUND	Purpose of Trust	HOW INVESTED	Balance beginning of year	New Funds Created	Withdrawals	Balance End of Year	Balance beginning of year	Income during Year	Expended During Year	Balance End of Year	Principal & Income End of Year
various	126 CEMETERY TRUSTS (COMMON FUND)	PERPETUAL CARE	NHPDIP*	29,775.81			29,775.81	57.77	**10.46**		68.23	**29,844.04**
1966	CEMETERY GEN'L TRUST	GEN'L CARE	NHPDIP*	14,219.24		1,978.24	12,241.00	16.83	**5.12**	21.76	0.19	**12,241.19**
1916	ORIN NELSON	LIBRARY	NHPDIP*	1,000.00			1,000.00	1.88	**0.00**		1.88	**1,001.88**
1918	JOHN PRESSEY	LIBRARY	NHPDIP*	1,000.00			1,000.00	1.88	**0.00**		1.88	**1,001.88**
1943	LEWIS RICHARDS	LIBRARY	NHPDIP*	300.00			300.00	0.00	**0.00**		0.00	**300.00**
1967	DOUGLAS ANDERSON	LIBRARY	NHPDIP*	1,000.00			1,000.00	1.88	**0.00**		1.88	**1,001.88**
1971	GRACE P. NELSON	LIBRARY	NHPDIP*	48,560.10			48,560.10	161.72	**17.14**		178.86	**48,738.96**
1988	ADA P. ANDERSON	LIBRARY	NHPDIP*	3,000.00			3,000.00	9.81	**0.56**		10.37	**3,010.37**
1988	F.B.WADLEIGH	BOOKS, LIBRARY	NHPDIP*	4,168.21			4,168.21	13.77	**1.18**		14.95	**4,183.16**
2000	AMELIA CHAPMAN	LIBRARY	NHPDIP*	10,000.00			10,000.00	33.41	**3.60**		37.01	**10,037.01**
1909	MARY EATON	SCHOOLS	NHPDIP*	150.00			150.00	29.73	**0.00**		29.73	**179.73**
1916	ORIN NELSON	WORTHY POOR	NHPDIP*	1,085.00			1,085.00	1,902.69	**0.55**		1,903.24	**2,988.24**
1930	JOHN EATON	SCHOOLS	NHPDIP*	500.00			500.00	95.06	**0.00**		95.06	**595.06**
1944	FRED E. NELSON	TOWN	NHPDIP*	1,770.97		260.73	1,510.24	2.27	**0.00**	2.27	0.00	**1,510.24**
1944	FRED E. NELSON	MISC. TOWN	NHPDIP*	4,366.73		293.53	4,073.20	5.23	**1.24**	6.47	0.00	**4,073.20**
1966	HELENA W. WELLS	OLD STORE MUSEUM	NHPDIP*	10,118.25			10,118.25	2,720.63	**4.67**	300.00	2,425.30	**12,543.55**
1989	SUTTON RESCUE**	RESCUE SQUAD	NHPDIP*	3,001.46			3,001.46	303.57	**0.76**		304.33	**3,305.79**
1990	VOL. FIRE DEPT**	FIRE DEPT	NHPDIP*	20,540.73			20,540.73	6,827.26	**9.49**		6,836.75	**27,377.48**
1994	FOREST FIRE SALARIES**	SALARIES	NHPDIP*	3,404.11			3,404.11	1,098.53	**1.24**		1,099.77	**4,503.88**
1994	ACCRUED BENEFITS**	EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	NHPDIP*	3,199.93			3,199.93	67.58	**0.75**		68.33	**3,268.26**
2003	N SUTTON CEM R FUND**	REP & MAINT	NHPDIP*	31,245.82			31,245.82	3,096.58	**12.26**		3,108.84	**34,354.66**
2008	FAY PUGLIESE LIBRARY	LIBRARY	NHPDIP*	1,000.00			1,000.00	1.88	**0.00**		1.88	**1,001.88**
	CUMULATIVE TOTALS - ALL TRUSTS			**193,406.36**	**0.00**	**2,532.50**	**190,873.86**	**16,449.96**	**69.02**	**330.50**	16,188.48	**207,062.34**

* NH PUBLIC DEPOSIT INVESTMENT POOL
** EXPENDABLE TRUST

REPORT OF THE TRUST FUNDS OF THE TOWN OF SUTTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE — FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2013

				PRINCIPAL				***INCOME***				GRAND TOTAL
Date of Creation	NAME OF FUND	Purpose	HOW INVESTED	Balance beginning of year	New Funds Created	Withdrawals	Balance End of Year	Balance beginning of year	Income during Year	Expended During Year	Balance End of Year	Principal & Income End of Year
1959	TOWN BRIDGES	CAPITAL RESERVE	NHPDIP*	177,296.68			177,296.68	20.51	**62.58**		83.09	**177,379.77**
1980	FOREST FIRE EQUIPMENT	CAPITAL RESERVE	NHPDIP*	2,886.74	250.00		3,136.74	853.70	**1.01**		854.71	**3,991.45**
1982	SOLID WASTE/ TRANSFER STATION	CAPITAL RESERVE	NHPDIP*	50,659.09			50,659.09	1,568.13	**18.48**		1,586.61	**52,245.70**
1988	CEMETERIES	CAPITAL RESERVE	NHPDIP*	0.00			0.00	0.00			0.00	0.00
1988	LEGAL FEES	CAPITAL RESERVE	NHPDIP*	22,989.58			22,989.58	3.13	**8.07**		11.20	**23,000.78**
1993	HIGHWAY EQUIP	CAPITAL RESERVE	NHPDIP*	196,596.77		124,531.01	72,065.76	401.64	**68.63**	468.99	1.28	**72,067.04**
1996	REVALUATION	CAPITAL RESERVE	NHPDIP*	61,856.22	25,000.00		86,856.22	51.74	**21.85**		73.59	**86,929.81**
1996	RECYCLE FACILITY	CAPITAL RESERVE	NHPDIP*	0.00			0.00	0.00			0.00	**0.00**
1998	HIGHWAY GARAGE	CAPITAL RESERVE	NHPDIP*	20,238.62	10,000.00		30,238.62	12.72	**7.23**		19.95	**30,258.57**
1998	HWY PICKUP TRUCK	CAPITAL RESERVE	NHPDIP*	4,109.61	4,000.00		8,109.61	0.93	**1.18**		2.11	**8,111.72**
2000	COMPUTER UPGRADE	CAPITAL RESERVE	NHPDIP*	0.00			0.00	0.00			0.00	0.00
2001	HIGHWAY GRADER	CAPITAL RESERVE	NHPDIP*	286,000.00			286,000.00	16,223.31	**106.49**		16,329.80	**302,329.80**
2001	HIGHWAY LOADER	CAPITAL RESERVE	NHPDIP*	201,000.00	10,000.00		211,000.00	14,311.86	**76.03**		14,387.89	**225,387.89**
2001	TOWN HISTORY	CAPITAL RESERVE	NHPDIP*	0.00			0.00	0.00			0.00	0.00
2005	FIRE EQUIP	CAPITAL RESERVE	NHPDIP*	194,500.00	50,000.00		244,500.00	5,232.25	**70.70**		5,302.95	**249,802.95**
2005	CONSERVATION LAND	CAPITAL RESERVE	NHPDIP*	151,313.06	10,000.00	80,601.88	80,711.18	258.97	**42.32**	291.12	10.17	**80,721.35**
2002	HWY EMERGENCY	NON-CAPITAL RESERVE	NHPDIP*	18,000.00			18,000.00	1,674.03	**7.08**		1,681.11	**19,681.11**
2002	MILFOIL	NON-CAPITAL RESERVE	NHPDIP*	20,000.00			20,000.00	2,704.22	**8.02**		2,712.24	**22,712.24**
2003	DRA RECERTIFICATION	NON-CAPITAL RESERVE	NHPDIP*	0.00			0.00	0.00			0.00	**0.00**
2005	FIRE DEPT MAINT	NON-CAPITAL RESERVE	NHPDIP*	2,000.00			2,000.00	309.10	**0.00**		309.10	**2,309.10**
2005	LIBRARY MAINT	NON-CAPITAL RESERVE	NHPDIP*	1,000.00	1,000.00		2,000.00	153.81	**0.00**		153.81	**2,153.81**
2005	CEMETERY MAINT	NON-CAPITAL RESERVE	NHPDIP*	1,000.00			1,000.00	153.81	**0.00**		153.81	**1,153.81**
2007	FIRE DEPT ADDN CRF	CAPITAL RESERVE	NHPDIP*	187,500.00	25,000.00		212,500.00	3,830.20	**67.61**		3,897.81	**216,397.81**
2010	RECORD PRESERVATION	CAPITAL RESERVE	NHPDIP*	5,403.61	2,000.00	7,394.38	9.23	4.08	**1.54**	5.62	0.00	**9.23**
2011	HIGHWAY BACKHOE CRF	CAPITAL RESERVE	NHPDIP*	20,000.00	10,000.00		30,000.00	11.87	**7.18**		19.05	**30,019.05**
2011	RESCUE VEHICLE CRF	CAPITAL RESERVE	NHPDIP*	15,000.00	10,000.00		25,000.00	11.65	**5.51**		17.16	**25,017.16**
2011	PILLSBURY MEMORIAL CR	CAPITAL RESERVE	NHPDIP*	6,000.00		4,994.64	1,005.36	3.50	**1.86**	5.36	0.00	**1,005.36**
2012	CEMETERY LAND	CAPITAL RESERVE	NHPDIP*	5,000.00	5,000.00		10,000.00	0.28	**1.46**		1.74	**10,001.74**
	TOTAL RESERVE FUNDS			1,650,349.98	162,250.00	217,521.91	1,595,078.07	47,795.44	**584.83**	771.09	47,609.18	**1,642,687.25**
	TOTAL ALL TRUSTS			193,406.36	0.00	2,532.50	190,873.86	16,449.96	**69.02**	330.50	16,188.48	207,062.34
	TOTAL ALL FUNDS			**1,843,756.34**	**162,250.00**	**220,054.41**	**1,785,951.93**	**64,245.40**	**653.85**	**1,101.59**	**63,797.66**	**1,849,749.59**

* NH PUBLIC DEPOSIT INVESTMENT POOL

	General Fund	Conservation Commission	King Hill Reservation	Performance Deposits	Total
Beginning Balances	**1,451,689.61**	**96,801.51**	**8,437.31**	**21,662.42**	**1,292,828.96**
Receipts:					
Tax Collector	6,396,681.09				6,396,681.09
Town Clerk	338,549.57				338,549.57
Town Office & Other Departments	61,484.64				61,484.64
State of New Hampshire	176,045.96				176,045.96
Withdrawl from Capital Reserves	218,293.00				218,293.00
Distributions from Nonexpendable Trusts	2,863.00				2,863.00
Tax Anticipation Notes	750,000.00				750,000.00
Sale of municipal property	17,675.00				17,675.00
Conservation Income *(Land Use Change 100%)*		1,275.00			1,275.00
Interest on deposits	683.85	145.30	12.37	10.20	851.72
	7,962,276.11	**1,420.30**	**12.37**	**10.20**	**7,963,718.98**
Disbursements:					
Selectmen Orders Paid	7,518,890.68			-	7,518,890.68
Uncollected Taxes Converted to Liens	153,485.36				153,485.36
Conservation Commission Orders Paid		6,000.00	900.00		6,900.00
	7,672,376.04	**6,000.00**	**900.00**	**-**	**7,679,276.04**
Ending Balance	**1,741,589.68**	**92,221.81**	**7,549.68**	**21,672.62**	**1,577,271.90**
Bank Balances:					
Lake Sunapee Savings Bank	1,741,589.68			17,084.46	1,758,674.14
TD Banknorth	-	96,801.51	8,437.31	4,588.16	109,826.98
	1,741,589.68	**96,801.51**	**8,437.31**	**21,672.62**	**1,868,501.12**

Respectfully Submitted,

Lorri Himes, Treasurer

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TOWN OF SUTTON

Agency Funds - Summary of Changes in Assets and Liabilities

FYE December 31, 2013

Depositor	Date Established	Purpose	Type of Deposit	Bank/Ins. Company	Account/ Policy Number	Balance Beginning	Additions		Deductions	Balance Ending
							Deposits Received	Interest Credited		
Z Ventures Corporation	122905	Performance bond	Cash	TD Bank North	9721940298	15,076.51	-	7.54	-	15,084.05
TKI Construction, LLC	110203	Performance bond	Cash	Lake Sunapee	210563144	4,585.86		2.30	-	4,588.16
Industrial Tower & Wireless, LLC	120513	Performance bond	Cash	Lake Sunapee	210644092	3,000.00		0.07	(2,589.50)	410.57
Granite State Forestry Service, Inc.	121210	Performance bond	Cash	Lake Sunapee	210616322	2,000.05		1.00	-	2,001.05
						24,662.42	-	10.91	(2,589.50)	22,083.83

Sutton Conservation Commission
2013

	Conservation Account		King Hill Reservation		General Fund	Total
Revenues						
LUCT	1,275.00					1,275.00
Interest on deposits	145.30		12.37			157.67
						-
Total revenues:	1,420.30	-	12.37	-	-	1,432.67
Expenditures						
Mowing King Hill Reservation			900.00			900.00
Bridge at Webb/Crowell Property	2,600.00					2,600.00
Road Work Webb/Crowell Property	3,400.00					3,400.00
Total expenditures:	6,000.00	-	900.00	-	-	6,900.00
Excess(Deficiency)of Revenues & Other Financing Sources Over(under) Expenditures	(4,579.70)		(887.63)			(5,467.33)
Balances - January 1, 2013	96,801.51		8,437.31			105,238.82
Balances - December 31, 2013	92,221.81		7,549.68			99,771.49

Summary of Account Balances

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Lorri Himes
Treasurer

2013 Expenditure Statement

4130 Executive Office		**$117,352.18**
Selectmen's Salaries	7,500.00	
Town Administrator's Salary	51,234.30	
Secretary & Clerk Wages	20,458.79	
Health Insurance	9,297.83	
Telephone	1,927.81	
Other Professional Services	1,804.17	
Computer	12,498.91	
Equipment Maintenance	847.99	
Printing Costs	6,180.03	
Advertising	472.43	
Dues/Conferences/Publications	1,227.43	
Office Supplies	1,319.73	
Postage and Envelopes	652.52	
Mileage Reimbursement	1,090.25	
Office Equipment	239.99	
Historical Records	600.00	
4140 Election and Registration		**$1,428.77**
Supervisors Wages	421.75	
Ballot Clerk Wages	532.91	
Advertising	342.12	
Supplies	44.73	
Postage	87.26	
4150 Financial Administration		**$74,335.22**
Tax Collector/Town Clerk Salary	32,406.34	
Deputy Tax Collector/Town Clerk Wages	2,148.92	
Health Insurance	20,582.37	
Recording Fees	238.00	
Telephone	992.27	
Legal Fees	0.00	
Mortgage Research	780.16	
Equipment Maintenance	3,628.06	
Printing	443.49	
Dues/Conferences/ Publications	2,330.51	
Office Supplies	2,369.76	
Postage & Envelopes	7,465.72	
Professional Services	25.00	
Mileage Reimbursement	924.62	
4151 Financial Executive		**$16,208.55**
FA Deputy Treasurer Salary	96.15	
FA Treasurer Salary	4,903.65	
FA Budget Committee Secretary	803.40	
FA Budget Committee	153.80	
FA Auditing Services	8,600.00	
FA Telephone DSL/Fax	0.00	
FA Postage and Envelopes	759.56	

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FA Professional Services	0.00	
FA Mileage Reimbursement	891.99	
4152 Revaluation of Property		**$12,451.05**
RP Appraisal Services	12,451.05	
4153 Judicial and Legal Expenses		**$23,460.19**
Legal Expenses and Services	16,857.27	
Litigation Expenses	6,602.92	
4155 Personnel Administration		**$110,978.63**
PA Contingency	0.00	
Group Insurance - Life/D/S-L	6,039.44	
Group Insurance - Dental	6,556.58	
FICA	34,806.00	
Medicare	10,520.97	
Police Retirement Contribution	36,926.09	
Highway Retirement Contribution	11,990.00	
Executive Retirement Contribution	2,501.74	
Financial Retirement Contribution	1,637.81	
4101 Planning Board		**$37,810.34**
Secretarial Services	22,365.16	
Professional Services	2,013.09	
Health Insurance	5,664.84	
Recording Fees	283.51	
Telephone	1,048.21	
Printing	310.00	
Notices	1,453.74	
Dues/Conferences/Publications	1,116.25	
GIS Mapping	1,037.41	
Office Supplies	529.91	
Postage	1,614.36	
Mileage Reimbursement	373.86	
4194 General Government Buildings		**$24,453.06**
Custodial Wages	1,920.62	
Electricity	2,098.01	
Heating Fuel	10,793.58	
Repairs & Maintenance	8,840.51	
Supplies	800.34	
4155 Cemeteries		**$11,590.00**
Cemetery Services	11,590.00	
4196 Insurance		**$60,003.68**
Unemployment Insurance	2,183.88	
Workers Compensation	27,995.35	
Property/Liability	26,337.84	
Miscellaneous Insurance Expense	586.61	
Safety Committee	900.00	
Hazmat Cleanup Dues	2,000.00	
4197 Advertising & Regional Associations		**$1,933.00**

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Central New Hampshire Regional Planning Commission	1,933.00	
4210 Police Department		**$383,765.71**
Full Time Wages	88,995.48	
Part Time Wages	17,810.99	
Special Duty Wages	7,030.00	
Building and Grounds	1,936.77	
On Call Wages	6,927.38	
Overtime Wages	6,150.48	
Police Chief Salary	55,786.09	
Part Time Secretary	22,159.14	
Health Insurance	95,372.29	
Court Representation	1,020.00	
Court Witness Fees	0.00	
Telephone	6,343.84	
Computer Services	17,059.44	
Animal Control Expenses	175.00	
Electric	1,692.17	
LP Gas	2,159.80	
Maintenance	4,944.58	
Dues/Conferences/Publications	4,573.90	
Training	1,872.13	
Office Supplies	2,667.49	
Investigative Supplies	5,292.11	
Postage	223.81	
Mileage	203.03	
Cruiser Lease/Equipment	14,481.76	
Cruiser Fuel	11,997.50	
Cruiser Repair/Maintenance	5,353.37	
Uniforms	1,537.16	
4215 Ambulance		**$40,455.00**
Sutton Rescue Squad	6,500.00	
Support Ambulance	0.00	
New London Ambulance	33,955.00	
4220 Fire Department		**$54,662.14**
LP Gas	65.00	
Telephone	1,378.00	
Electricity	3,595.78	
Heating Fuel	5,345.70	
Building Maintenance	2,158.43	
Equipment Fuel	899.97	
Training	4,733.10	
Fire Warden	353.58	
Maintenance Fee Gen Air	1,128.48	
Miscellaneous & Supplies	10,298.69	
Vehicle Repairs and Maintenance	2,110.57	
Training Supplies/Equipment	10,500.63	
Equipment	3,328.60	
Radios	8,765.61	
4240 Building Inspection		**$6,759.18**
Inspection Services	5,659.18	
Wetlands Inspection	1,100.00	

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4290 Emergency Management		**$300.00**
Emergency Management Services	300.00	
Emergency Management Supplies	0.00	
4299 Dispatching Services		**$18,034.00**
Dispatching Services	18,034.00	
4312 Highway Department		**$594,770.50**
Wages	250,825.88	
Part Time Labor	1,829.43	
Part Time Mechanic	500.00	
Overtime Wages	32,138.97	
Part Time Secretary	939.37	
Health Insurance	101,174.01	
Telephone	1,394.35	
Other Professional Services	13,526.41	
Radio Repairs/Purchase/Lease	0.00	
Electricity	2,866.15	
Heating Oil	10,696.32	
LP Gas	0.00	
Building Repairs/Maintenance	1,165.79	
Dues/Conferences/Publications & Adv.	183.00	
Equipment Rental	9,940.00	
Mileage Reimbursement	156.72	
Vehicle Fuel	47,893.91	
Vehicle Repair/Maintenance	13,619.25	
Oil & Filters	5,071.58	
Tires	2,299.80	
Materials & Supplies	4,588.38	
Cutting Edges	4,786.26	
Equipment Repair/Maintenance	7,282.09	
Chains	3,140.50	
Culverts	5,398.70	
Hand Tools	126.00	
Shop Equipment	2,429.41	
Sand & Salt	60,067.60	
Gravel	9,416.32	
Asphalt Products	510.27	
Signs	804.03	
Liquid Calcium Chloride	0.00	
4313 Bridges		
Bridge Expenses	0.00	
4316 Street Lighting		**$6,905.02**
Street Lighting Expenses	6,905.02	
4324 Solid Waste Disposal		**$130,075.30**
Wages	59,428.47	
Telephone	771.99	
Water Testing	2,348.00	
Electricity	1,772.32	
Diesel	1,130.58	
Dues/Conferences/Publications	91.85	
Maintenance/Supplies	4,895.06	

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Uniforms	365.83	
Safety Equipment	281.34	
Operator Certification	266.25	
Repairs	2,718.76	
Lagoon Maintenance	1,584.86	
Demo Dumpster/Tipping Fee	18,342.85	
Electronic Recycling	1,447.36	
Newspaper Containers	0.00	
Hazardous Waste	1,000.00	
Cardboard Dumpster	1,900.39	
Aluminum/Steel Cans	900.00	
Freon Recycling	0.00	
Tire Removal	1,455.07	
Florescent Bulb Recycling	0.00	
MSW Tipping	20,968.70	
MSW Trucking	5,495.58	
Propane	1,492.54	
Calcium Chloride	0.00	
Glass	1,417.50	
4411 Health Administration		**$1,322.00**
Inoculations & Tests	822.00	
Miscellaneous Expenses	500.00	
4415 Lake Sunapee Region VNA		**$5,081.16**
Lake Sunapee Region VNA	5,081.16	
4442 Direct Assistance		**$15,741.36**
Worthy Causes	412.00	
Miscellaneous Direct Assistance	6,469.48	
Services	4,748.88	
Community Action Program	4,111.00	
4520 Culture and Recreation		**$10,713.00**
South Sutton Common	300.00	
Historical Society	6,000.00	
Council on Aging	2,100.00	
Churches	263.00	
Old Store Museum	300.00	
Youth Recreation Programs	1,000.00	
North Sutton Improvement Society	750.00	
4550 Library		**$29,953.75**
Salaries	18,543.00	
Library Custodial	774.00	
Library Telephone	981.29	
Library Electricity	1,554.36	
Library Heating Fuel	2,375.61	
Library Repairs and Maintenance	3,222.16	
Library Advertising	181.90	
Library Programs	202.19	
Library Supplies/Equipment/Postage	22.52	
Library Books	1,312.06	
Library Maintenance	784.66	

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4583 Patriotic Purposes		**$684.95**
Patriotic Purposes Expenses	684.95	
4611 Conservation Administration		**$2,339.86**
Secretarial Services	602.81	
Dues/Conferences/Publications	570.00	
Expenses	968.62	
Supplies	198.43	
4700 Debt Service		**$42,323.28**
Principal LT Bonds/Notes	20,200.36	
Interest LT Bonds/Notes	21,171.00	
Interest on Tans	915.41	
Interest on Abatements	36.51	
4194 Capital Reserve Funds		**$162,250.00**
Conservation Land	10,000.00	
Forest Fire Equipment	250.00	
Fire Equipment Replacement	50,000.00	
Rescue Vehicle	10,000.00	
Property Revaluation	25,000.00	
Highway Sand Shed	10,000.00	
Cemetery	5,000.00	
Library Building Maintenance	1,000.00	
Highway Pickup	4,000.00	
Fire Department Addition	25,000.00	
Highway Department Backhoe	10,000.00	
Highway Grader	0.00	
Highway Loader	10,000.00	
Historical Records Preservation	2,000.00	
2013 Warrant Articles		**$243,282.06**
Gravel Road Upgrade	12,178.23	
Blacktop Upgrade	0.00	
Truck Equipped	138,268.85	
Pillsbury Hall Furnance	6,566.00	
Old Store Museum	5,375.98	
Conservation Commission Land	80,893.00	
GRAND TOTAL		**$2,241,422.94**

Statement of Receipts and Actual Revenues
for the year ending December 31, 2013

	Estimated Revenues	Actual Revenues	Over (Under) Budget
TAXES			
Timber Tax	19,000.00	24,686.66	5,686.66
Interest & Penalties on Delinquent Taxes	45,000.00	48,208.41	3,208.41
Excavation Tax & Activity Tax	119.00	311.00	192.00
LICENSES, PERMITS AND FEES			
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	295,000.00	322,817.50	27,817.50
Building Permits	3,500.00	3,150.00	(350.00)
Other Licenses, Permits & Fees	5,000.00	5,071.93	71.93
FROM STATE /FEDERAL GOVERNMENT			
Shared Revenues	0.00	0.00	0.00
Meals & Room Tax Distribution	81,984.00	81,984.14	0.14
Highway Block Grant	94,196.00	93,951.13	(244.87)
State Forest Land	23.00	21.07	(1.93)
Other State/Federal Aid	89.00	89.62	0.62
CHARGES FOR SERVICES			
Income from Departments	55,000.00	57,628.46	2,628.46
Other/Bank Charges	200.00	0.00	(200.00)
MISC. REVENUE			
Sale of Municipal Property	17,660.00	17,675.00	15.00
Interest on Investments	700.00	683.85	(16.15)
Other/Cable, Insurance, Dividends & Reimbursement	27,000.00	27,259.76	259.76
TRANSFERS IN			
Capital Reserve Funds	212,000.00	210,893.00	(1,107.00)
Income from Expendable Capital Reserves	0.00	0.00	0.00
Trust Funds	2,864.00	2,864.00	0.00
PROCEEDS LONG TERM NOTES			
Proceeds - L/T Notes & Bonds	0.00	0.00	0.00
FUND BALANCE USED TO SET TAX RATE	**93,200.00**	**93,200.00**	**0.00**
TOTAL REVENUES	952,535.00	990,495.53	37,960.53

Comparative Statement of Appropriations and Expenditures
for the year ending December 31, 2013

	Appropriations	Expenditures	Balance
GENERAL GOVERNMENT			
4130 Executive	115,624.00	117,352.18	(1,728.18)
4140 Elections and Registrations	3,020.00	1,428.77	1,591.23
4150 Financial Administration	77,654.00	74,335.22	3,318.78
4151 Financial Executive	18,560.00	16,208.55	2,351.45
4152 Appraisal Services	12,500.00	12,451.05	48.95
4153 Legal Expenses	22,500.00	23,460.19	(960.19)
4152 Personnel Administration	121,458.00	110,978.63	10,479.37
4191 Planning Board/Zoning	42,849.30	37,810.34	5,038.96
4194 General Government Buildings	26,000.00	24,453.06	1,546.94
4195 Cemeteries	14,000.00	11,590.00	2,410.00
4196 Insurance	67,500.00	60,003.68	7,496.32
4197 Regional Association	1,933.00	1,933.00	0.00
PUBLIC SAFETY			
4210 Police Department	393,594.00	383,765.71	9,828.29
4215 Ambulance	41,655.00	40,455.00	1,200.00
4220 Fire Department	55,325.00	54,662.14	662.86
4240 Building Inspection	11,000.00	6,759.18	4,240.82
4290 Emergency Management	1,300.00	300.00	1,000.00
4299 Dispatching	18,034.00	18,034.00	0.00
HIGHWAYS AND STREETS			
4312 Highway Department	685,284.00	594,770.50	90,513.50
4313 Bridges	3,000.00	0.00	3,000.00
4316 Street Lighting	9,228.00	6,905.02	2,322.98
SANITATION			
4324 Solid Waste Disposal	145,600.00	130,075.30	15,524.70
HEALTH ADMINISTRATION			
4411 Inoculations, Tests and Expenses	2,000.00	1,322.00	678.00
4415 Health Agencies	5,081.00	5,081.16	(0.16)
WELFARE			
4442 Welfare/Worthy Causes/CAP	19,025.00	15,741.36	3,283.64
CULTURE & RECREATION			
4520 Churches, Commons, Museum, Recreation	10,713.00	10,713.00	0.00
4550 Library	35,319.00	29,953.75	5,365.25
4583 Patriotic Purposes	1,000.00	684.95	315.05

	Appropriations	Expenditures	Balance
CONSERVATION			
4611 Administration, Expenses & Supplies	3,110.00	2,339.86	770.14
DEBT SERVICE			
4711 Debt Service LT Principal	20,202.00	20,200.36	1.64
4711 Debt Service LT Interest	21,171.00	21,171.00	0.00
4723 Interest on Tax Anticipation Notes	5,000.00	915.41	4,084.59
4724 Interest on Abatements	1,000.00	36.51	963.49
CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS			
Conservation Commission Land	10,000.00	10,000.00	0.00
Forest Fire Equipment	250.00	250.00	0.00
Fire Equipment	50,000.00	50,000.00	0.00
Rescue Vehicle	10,000.00	10,000.00	0.00
Property Revaluation	25,000.00	25,000.00	0.00
Cemetery	5,000.00	5,000.00	0.00
Library Building Maintenance	1,000.00	1,000.00	0.00
Highway Shed	10,000.00	10,000.00	0.00
Highway Pickup Truck	4,000.00	4,000.00	0.00
Fire Department Addition	25,000.00	25,000.00	0.00
Highway Backhoe	10,000.00	10,000.00	0.00
Highway Loader	10,000.00	10,000.00	0.00
Historical Records Preservation	2,000.00	2,000.00	0.00
Total Operating Budget	2,173,489.30	1,998,140.88	175,348.42
WARRANT ARTICLES			
Gravel Road Upgrade	33,000.00	12,178.23	20,821.77
Blacktop Upgrade	50,000.00	0.00	50,000.00
Truck Equipped	145,000.00	138,268.85	6,731.15
Pillsbury Hall Furnance	11,000.00	6,566.00	4,434.00
Old Store Museum	10,000.00	5,375.98	4,624.02
Paul Land	82,000.00	80,893.00	1,107.00
GRAND TOTAL	2,504,489.30	2,241,422.94	263,066.36

Inventory 2013

Map/Lot	Location	Value
02-895,218	Old Sutton Road (old gravel pit)	6,500
04-246,386	Old Store Museum and Land	120,370
04-262,377	Soldiers Monument on Common	16,750
04-313,462	N/S Route 114 (ash disposal area)	112,810
04-387,478	Solid Waste Facility and Land	129,250
05-609,563	Kearsarge Valley backland	3,000
05-821,512	Settlers Oven	27,230
06-341,143	Highway Garage and Land	782,990
06-365,163	Village Road	120
06-403,240	Library and Land	146,170
06-428,236	Pillsbury Memorial Hall and Land	472,500
06-513,305	Chalk Pond Road	30,600
06-544,342	Chalk Pond Road	30,600
07-912,283	Fire Station/North Road and Land	359,860
07-913,302	Police Station/North Road	242,540
07-927,424	Old Fire House	24,530
09-284,237	Charles Avenue/R-O-W.	3,480
09-906,090	W/S Route 114 adj. to Route 89	13,500
09-935,453	Crockett Circle	3,750
	Total Town Property	2,526,550
	Kearsarge School District	
05-402,352	Kearsarge Regional High School and Land	359,510
05-505,365	Kearsarge Regional High School and Land	10,035,230
05-909,431	Kearsarge Regional Middle School and Land	11,976,760
06-472,183	Sutton Elementary School and Land	995,590
	Total School Property	23,367,090
	Conservation Land	
01-113,554	North Road and I-89 (Cloues Natural Area)	380
03-126,029	North Road (Redington Dam Area)	1,500
03-998,313	Eaton Grange Road (Webb/Crowell Forest)	8,220
04-070,198	off Eaton Grange Road (Sprout Lot)	12,300
04-391,036	Rte 114 & Russell Pond (Spiers)	2,880
06-038,545	W/S Route 114 (Town Wetland)	2,500
06-068,565	Wadleigh Hill Road (Town Wild Life Area)	154,000
07-926,552	Rte 114 - Enroth Gift	56,100
08-018,336	Lefferts Natural Area	165,200
08-018,340	Lefferts Natural Area	101,700
08-109,368	E/S Penny Ante Alley (Sundell Lot)	78,100
08-171,362	off Park Ave. on Kezar Lake (Seymour Lot)	49,350
08-367,498	Maple Leaf Natural Area	4,199
08-369,498	King Hill Reservation	313,390
08-527,561	William Bean Quarry	6,050
	Total Conservation Property	955,869

Inventory 2013

Tax Deeded Property

03-293,290	Saddleback Road	34,850
04-110,318	Gambsy/Wells	9,300
04-212,391	Lonnie White	38,200
04-327,098	Unknown Owner	21,470
04-428,530	Whittaker, Roy TIC at 25%	13,300
06-500,272	Langley Property	18,230
07-662,017	Mary B. Page Estate	20,400
07-790,226	Emerson Baily Heirs	1,200
	Total Tax Deeded Property	156,950

Cemeteries

01-162,131	Sutton Lane	N.A.V.*
03-277,473	Gore Road	540
04-124,402	Meeting House	110
04-358,511	Millswood, Route 114	110
06-365,163	near Union Church, Sutton Mills	120
07-203,396	Mastin, Baker Road	7000
07-939,404	North Sutton, Route 114	5400

*Reflects parcel with "no assessed value"

Tax Collector's Report

Linda D. Ford
Summary of Tax Accounts
for the Fiscal Year ending December 31, 2013

DEBITS

UNCOLLECTED TAXES BEG. OF YEAR*		Levy for Year of this Report	PRIOR LEVIES (PLEASE SPECIFY YEARS)		
			2012	2011	2010 ...
Property Taxes	#3110		$ 312,520.53	$ (0.05)	$ 10,763.73
Resident Taxes	#3180				
Land Use Change	#3120				
Yield Taxes	#3185		$ 3,684.34		
Excavation Tax @ $.02/yd	#3187		$ 211.48		
Interest				$ 0.05	
Property Tax Credit Balance**		< >			
Other Tax or Charges Credit Balance**		< >			
TAXES COMMITTED THIS YEAR				**For DRA Use Only**	
Property Taxes	#3110	$ 6,298,681.50			
Resident Taxes	#3180				
Land Use Change	#3120	$ 7,553.00			
Yield Taxes	#3185	$ 17,421.68	$ 3,702.06		
Excavation Tax @ $.02/yd	#3187	$ 119.72			
Utility Charges	#3189				
Other Charges		$ 31.11			
OVERPAYMENT REFUNDS					
Property Taxes	#3110	$ 11,923.35	$ 757.12		
Resident Taxes	#3180				
Land Use Change	#3120				
Yield Taxes	#3185				
Excavation Tax @ $.02/yd	#3187				
Interest - Late Tax	#3190	$ 1,757.74	$ 13,552.38		
Costs Before Lien	#3190		$ 1,981.50		
Resident Tax Penalty	#3190				
TOTAL DEBITS		**$ 6,337,488.10**	**$ 336,409.41**		**$ 10,763.73**

*This amount should be the same as the last year's ending balance. If not, please explain.

**Enter as a negative. This is the amount of this year's amounts pre-paid last year as authorized by RSA 80:52-a.
**The amount is already included in the warrant & therefore in line #3110 as postive amount for this year's levy.

Tax Collector's Report

Summary of Tax Accounts for the Fiscal Year ending December 31, 2013

CREDITS

REMITTED TO TREASURER	Levy for Year of This Report	PRIOR LEVIES (PLEASE SPECIFY YEARS)		
		2012	2011	2010 ...
Property Taxes	$ 5,813,226.44	$ 160,932.89		
Resident Taxes				
Land Use Change	$ 1,275.00			
Yield Taxes	$ 15,610.40	$ 5,793.10		
Interest (include lien conversion)				
Penalties				
Excavation Tax @ $.02/yd	$ 99.52			
Interest	$ 1,757.74	$ 13,552.38		
Conversion to Lien (principal only)		$ 153,485.36		
Other Charge	$ 31.11			
DISCOUNTS ALLOWED				
ABATEMENTS MADE				
Property Taxes	$ 2,145.50	$ 2,645.68		
Resident Taxes				
Land Use Change				
Yield Taxes	$ 626.74			
Excavation Tax @ $.02/yd				
Utility Charges				
CURRENT LEVY DEEDED				
UNCOLLECTED TAXES - END OF YEAR #1080				
Property Taxes	$ 495,426.70		$ (0.05)	$ 10,763.75
Resident Taxes				
Land Use Change	$ 6,278.00			
Yield Taxes	$ 1,184.54			
Excavation Tax @ $.02/yd	$ 20.20			
Interest			$ 0.05	
Property Tax Credit Balance**				
Other Tax or Charges Credit Balance**	($193.79)			
TOTAL CREDITS	**$ 6,337,488.10**	**$ 336,409.41**		**$ 10,763.73**

**Enter as a negative. This is the amount of taxes pre-paid for next year as authorized by RSA 80:52-a

(Be sure to include a positive amount in the appropriate taxes or charges actually remitted to the treasurer).

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Summary of Tax Accounts for the Fiscal Year ending December 31, 2013

DEBITS

	Last Year's Levy	PRIOR LEVIES (PLEASE SPECIFY YEARS)		
	2012	2011	2010	2009 ...
Unredeemed Liens Balance - Beg. Of Year		$ 119,456.16	$ 37,175.52	$ 12,349.07
Liens Executed During Fiscal Year	$ 161,536.95			
Interest & Costs Collected (After Lien Execution)	$ 3,667.03	$ 14,458.64	$ 7,868.18	$ 862.19
TOTAL DEBITS	$ 165,203.98	$ 133,914.80	$ 45,043.70	$ 13,211.26

CREDITS

REMITTED TO TREASURER		Last Year's Levy	PRIOR LEVIES (PLEASE SPECIFY YEARS)		
		2012	2011	2010	2009 ...
Redemptions		$ 60,264.16	$ 56,845.64	$ 29,683.63	$ 6,228.85
Interest & Costs Collected (After Lien Execution)	#3190	$ 3,667.03	$ 14,458.64	$ 7,868.18	$ 862.19
Abatements of Unredeemed Liens		$ 9.06	$ 2,297.80	$ 1,702.20	
Liens Deeded to Municipality		$ 1,252.06	$ 1,272.99	$ 938.84	
Unredeemed Liens Balance - End of Year	#1110	$ 100,011.67	$ 59,039.73	$ 4,850.85	$ 6,120.22
TOTAL CREDITS		$ 165,203.98	$ 133,914.80	$ 45,043.70	$ 13,211.26

Does your municipality commit taxes on a semi-annual basis (RSA 76:15-a) ?_____

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined the information contained in this form and to the best of my belief it is true, correct and complete.

TAX COLLECTOR'S SIGNATURE_____**DATE**_____

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Report of the Budget Committee

Our work for budget year 2013 began in the autumn of 2012 and continued into January 2013 by reviewing proposals from Sutton's department heads. We completed our work for 2013 with the Budget Hearing (Deliberative Session) in February and began our work for 2014 in December by meeting again with department heads.

All of your committee members for the 2013 budget, Richard Benson, Robert DeFelice, Lynn King, Tom Paul, John Silverberg, and Jody Wells will continue into the 2014 budget year. Robert Wright, Jr., our ex-officio member for 2013, has been replaced by Ricia Mc Mahon for 2014.

The final result of the Committee's work for each budget cycle is a form known as the "MS-7, Budget of a Town with a Municipal Budget Committee" which is always included in Sutton's Annual Report. Most of the items on the MS-7 are self-explanatory such as items in the operating budget, warrant articles, capital reserve ins and outs and revenue sources. Near the end of the list, however, is one of the least understood items called "Estimated Fund Balance to Reduce Taxes." The source of this item is the net result of all the transactions that take place in the town's accounts during the year. For example, if Sutton does not need to spend the entire budget, due to good management and/or fine weather, it will accumulate cash as tax collections surpass expenses. If revenue exceeds the budget, additional cash may accumulate. If this cash is more than a prudent amount, the excess may be used to reduce the following year's taxes. The state Dept. of Revenue Administration (DRA) recommends an amount for Sutton that can vary between $600,000 and $1,200,000. This provides a cash shock absorber and ensures that money is on hand to fund payments for KRSD schools, Merrimack County and the State of New Hampshire in addition to Sutton's operations. The higher amount also helps prevent the need for short term borrowing via tax anticipation notes (TAN).

With all of the above financial moving parts it is difficult to accurately budget the Estimated Fund Balance to Reduce Taxes. Nevertheless, it is good to know that taxes collected but not spent may be used to reduce taxes in the future.

John Silverberg – Chairman
Richard Benson
Robert DeFelice
Lynn King
Thomas Paul
George Wells, III
Patricia McMahon, Ex-Officio

Report of the Highway Department and Road Agent

Well 2013 is done and it went out with a bang and lots of ice. 2014 started the same only with temperatures colder and lots of ice. Your town road crew has been very busy.

Now on to warmer thoughts . . .

Gravel road upgrades were completed on North Road and Cotton Road. In addition, many spot gravel loads were attended to throughout the town.

We replaced several culverts this year on Baker Hill, Jolly Farm, Barker Road, Shaker Street, Cotton Road and Eaton Grange Road. The grader was kept busy with all the dirt roads being graded at least once, most of them were graded two or three times. We also used the grader for road upgrades and ditching. Your backhoe found plenty to do such as cleaning culverts, ditching, installing culverts and performing tree removal operations.

Brush cutting went well this year with the prisoners' assistance. The prisoners have helped us for four years now, for six weeks each year. We look forward to working with them in the future.

The road crew participated in several special projects this year. Birch Hill trees in proximity to the roadway have been cut, with more work to follow this summer. Pugliese's Berm, as we call it, was completed – evergreen trees were planted and bark mulch was added. Thank you, Ernie Brake, for your help. The Grist Mill footbridge wall had an emergency temporary repair done to keep the rest of the wall from falling into the brook. More repair work will be required for a permanent repair.

Thanks also go to Jimmy and Billy Chadwick for mowing around our building and around Village Road. I'd also like to extend my thanks to the Sutton Volunteer Fire Department for their services, to the Police Department for their assistance and to our town hall staff and Select Board. And a very special thanks to the guys I work with – Dennis Stevens, John Csutor, Adam Hurst, Fred Burbee, Spunk Ford (he just loves roadside mowing), Gary Mattos and Lorri Himes – we couldn't have done it all without your hard work.

And to Paul Parker, who retired after being employed by the town for 26 years, thank you for your many years of service to this community.

Respectfully submitted,

Stephen Bagley
Acting Road Agent

Report of the Sutton Police Department 2013

Another year is upon us, and it's hard to believe that I am writing my fifth Town Report as your Police Chief. 2013 was a good but busy year. We were faced all year long with staffing issues, being short staffed amongst our Part Time Officers. We were able to cope with these challenges with the full-time officers putting in extra hours and shifts.

We found a spike in cases where time consuming investigations were involved, which led to less time being spent on motor vehicle enforcement.

This department values the importance of In-Service Training. Here is a list of some of the training our Officers attended in 2013:

- Use of Force Simulator
- Prevention of and Response to Suicide Bombing
- Understanding and Planning for School Bombing
- Officer as the Prosecutor
- Response to Active Shooter
- Essential Communication Skills
- Smartphone Forensics
- Quiet Entry Training
- Armorer Certification
- Responding to Digital Crime

The Department acquired two (2) new cruiser computers, going away from the traditional laptop to an Ultra-Rugged permanently mounted Tablet. By having computers in our cruisers, we benefit greatly from the enhanced ability to access up to date department management records, addresses and descriptions of persons, outstanding warrants and motor vehicle information via the New Hampshire State DMV files. We also get up to date emergency information through New London Dispatch and are able to retrieve that information in a matter of a few seconds. I would like to add that this department has not had to purchase cruiser computers for over six (6) years.

The Department invested in Simunition equipment for reality based training. Simunitions are a specific type of ammunition which is used to train police officers. Simunition rounds are designed to be fired through actual police duty weapons. A drop-in conversion kit is installed into the officer's duty weapon. This conversion kit temporarily alters the duty weapon to ensure normal ammunition cannot be fired

during training, making it completely safe. The conversion kit also allows the use of the Simunition ammunition to properly work with reduced-pressure/reduced-velocity. Simunition rounds are non-lethal marking cartridges. These rounds are highly useful for training without injury, but at the same time providing a realistic and non-lethal force-on-force, short range, training practice that other training devices cannot. The "impact awareness" delivered by a marking cartridge contributes to the realism of the training. The Simunitions ensure safe and realistic training, yet still allow the impact to be felt and a visual to be left on impact. Personal protective equipment, such as head protectors, throat protectors, gloves, vests and long sleeves are worn. Officers are placed into several reality based live fire structured scenarios. The Simunitions make it possible to put officers into situations against moving, thinking opponents who fire back! The scenarios are played out, broken down and then reviewed. The department is now able to properly train for motor vehicle stops, burglaries and home invasions, hostage situations and active shooters in the schools.

The Kearsarge D.A.R.E program is still being instructed by the Kearsarge area Police Departments and myself. D.A.R.E America implemented a new curriculum called D.A.R.E keeping it…Real. This new curriculum continues to provide cutting edge instruction and identifies the fundamentals, basic skills and development processes needed for healthy development including:

- Self-awareness and management
- Responsible decision making
- Understanding others
- Relationship and communication skills
- Handling responsibilities and challenges

The program's existence has never cost the taxpayer any money to operate. The funds have always come from an annual fundraiser and/or donations. In 2013 the D.A.R.E program held a Basketball fundraiser game, Police vs. the Middle School Basketball teams. This was the first year and was a huge success.

This department would like to remind people to be vigilant and watch for any suspicious activities in their neighborhoods and within the Town. If you see something that you think is out of the ordinary, please contact us immediately. We would rather get called and find out it is nothing than not get called and find out it was something.

I wish to express my sincere gratitude and support to all our department heads and their staff for their dedication and efforts over these past twelve months. To my Administrative Assistant

and the men and women of the Sutton Police Department, I offer my deepest appreciation and thanks for a job well done and for all they do. Working with such a fine group of people makes coming to work both enjoyable and my job more than a bit easier knowing that they will excel in their duties and always be there for support.

To the Board of Selectmen I offer my thanks for their continued understanding, patience, and support.

To the residents of Sutton, and on behalf of all town employees, I extend our heartfelt appreciation and thanks for the interest you show in each of our departments and for the community as a whole. As always our doors are open. We welcome your input as we move forward into this coming year and encourage you to share your thoughts and ideas. I respectfully submit to the residents of the Town of Sutton the annual report and statement of duties performed by the Sutton Police Department for the calendar year January 1, 2013 through December 31, 2013.

Respectfully submitted,

Jonathan Korbet
Chief of Police

Call Type		Call Type	
Alarms	95	Motor Vehicle Stops	188
Disturbance	5	Motor Vehicle Complaint	32
911 Hang-up	14	Motor Vehicle Unlock	14
Abandoned Vehicles	10	Neglect	5
Traffic Accident	69	Noise Disturbance	7
Animal Complaints	62	OHRV Complaint	9
Arrest	10	Open Door/Window	5
Assist Ambulance	57	Paperwork Service/Relay	99
Assist Citizens	73	Parking Violation	6
Assist Fire	26	Possession of Alcohol by a Minor	1
Assist Motorist	73	Report Request	41
Assist Police	66	Ride Along	2
Assist-Social Service Agencies	1	Pistol Permits	54
Assault	13	Police Information	45
Be on lookout	30	Property Lost/Found/Returned	11
Building Checks	404	Protective Order	5
Bullying	3	Protective Order Violation	3
Burglary	11	Public Relations-Talk/Lecture	5
Civil Issue/Stand by	35	Road Hazard/Obstruction	51
Community Policing	7	Sexual Assault	1
Computer Crimes	3	Sex Offender Registration	14

Criminal Mischief	15
Criminal Threating	13
Criminal Trespass	1
D.A.R.E	10
Directed Patrol	949
Dogs, loose, bite, barking	38
Domestic Dispute	15
Drugs/Possession	14
Driving While Intoxicated	1
Fingerprinting	17
Case Follow up	290
Fraud	12
Harassment	7
Harassing Communication	15
Internet Crime other than ICAC	2
Involuntary Emergency Admission	6
Illegal Burn	2
Interview	2
Juvenile Complaints	10
Parking Violation @ KRHS	4
Littering-Illegal Dumping	2
Residential Lockout	1
Log Note	12
Mental Person	2
Missing Person	6
Sex Abuse	1
Shots Fired	7
Stalking	6
Attempted Suicide	1
Suspicious Person/Vehicle/Incident	97
Theft	28
Tobacco Violation	6
Traffic Control	8
Unassisted Death	3
Unwanted Subject	7
Vacant Property Checks	1115
VIN Inspection	40
Weapon Violation	5
Welfare Check	15

Report of the Solid Waste Transfer Station and Recycling Facility 2013

Here at the Transfer Station, we continue to help all the residents of the town of Sutton. Through everyone's efforts,we were able to bring in $29,691 by recycling aluminum cans,electronics, tin cans, septic, paper/cardboard and construction debris.

This year the exterior of the Garage was repaired and painted by Ray Jameson and his crew, the interior was also painted by our crew, using recycled paint. The approach driveway to the Garage was paved with Hard-pack stone, delivered by the Town crew and installed using the Town Grader and our labor; this kept the dust down and made the Garage easier to keep clean (no more Mud).

It seems that the volume of people using the Transfer Station has increased over the past year. Our Crew, Dave Ellis, Neal Nelson, Ed Herrmann and Spunk Ford were well equipped to handle the increase of recycled materials.

With the help of Linda Ford (our Town Clerk and Tax Collector), we finally came up with a list of recycling materials, the fees we charge and a physical layout for the Transfer Station. These sheets will be available from either Linda Ford or the Transfer Station to anyone who would like one, and also will be given to all new residents moving into Sutton.

PLEASE separate all trash, and if you have any questions, ASK us!

The Transfer Station hours are:

Tuesday 9:00am – 5:00pm
Thursday 9:00am-5:00 pm
Saturday 8:00am-4:00pm

Respectfully Submitted,

John Godkin
Solid Waste Facility Supervisor

Planning Board – 2013 Annual Report

The Sutton Planning Board meets the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. at the Pillsbury Memorial Town Hall. Hearings are held on the 2nd Tuesday and work sessions are held on the 4th Tuesday. Applications are due by the 15th of the preceding month. The Subdivision Regulations and applications are available at the Town Hall and online.

The following is a look at the year's activities:

3/26/2013		PSNH
Case #	PB 2013-01	Scenic Roads
		Tree Trimming
		Approved with Conditions
4/9/2013		Jeffrey A. Evans, agent for Todd & Chris St. Cyr
Case #	PB 2013-02	Jolly Farm Road
		Map & Lot 02-413,537
		Annexation &/or Lot Line Adj.
		Approved
4/30/2013		Jeffrey A. Evans, agent for John Michael Rogers
Case #	PB 2013-03	Birch Hill Road
		Map & Lot 01-576,410
		Subdivision, Minor
		Denied Without Prejudice
4/09/2013		Kevin Carr
Case #	PB 2013-04	Nelson Hill Road
		Map & Lot 06-932,131
		Annexation &/or Lot Line Adj.
		Approved
12/10/2013		Industrial Tower Wireless, LLC
Case #	PB 2013-05	Route 103
		Map & Lot 01-406,086 & 01-408,090
		Site Plan Review
		Approved with Conditions

6/11/2013		Robert Wright
Case #	PB 2013-06	Blaisdell Hill Road
		Map & Lot 02-319,207 & 02-395,247
		Annexation &/or Lot Line Adj.
		Approved
10/08/2013		Alan Pike
Case #	PB 2013-07	Baker Hill Road
		Map & Lot 08-936,403
		Rescind Subdivision
		Rescinded
11/12/2013		John Mears
Case #	PB 2013-08	69 Johnson Hill Road
		Map & Lot 02-433,477
		Annexation &/or Lot Line Adj.
		Approved
11/12/2013		Patricia and Gregory Mapes
Case #	PB 2013-09	63 Shaker Street
		Map & Lot 07-726,194
		Site Plan Review
		Denied Without Prejudice
12/10/2013		Evelyn C. and Clark M. Davis
Case #	PB 2013-10	Old Route 103
		Map & Lot 01-592,123
		Annexation &/or Lot Line Adj.
		Approved

This year, there were ten Planning Board Cases decided. The most complex case was the Industrial Tower and Wireless, LLC cell tower Site Plan Review which took the Planning Board through the fall and into the winter as they worked with ITW engineers to produce a clear agreement regarding the site. In December the finals details were agreed upon and the Tower which is designed to provide wireless in the southeast corner of Sutton was approved with conditions.

During 2013, the Planning Board continued to work on the revision of the Subdivision and Site Plan Regulations. Late in 2013, the Board discussed a question that arose in connection to the Zoning Ordinance regarding signs. That discussion produced a series of suggestions for language changes. The Planning Board met with Zoning Board of Adjustment members in a Joint Work Session and developed a new Sign Ordinance and new Definitions. Both Boards agreed that the new language would provide more clarity and a more comprehensive Sign Ordinance to place before the voter.

Work continued on a new Access based database. Currently the Land Use coordinator uses that database on an almost daily basis. It contains information on Planning and Zoning cases from the early 1980's to current. Included in the database are current plats and other documentation from 2013 and 2014 cases. There was progress on the Geographical Information Systems (GIS) as well. It is expected GIS mapping will be useful in 2014 when the Planning Board plans to work on a revision of the Sutton Master Plan.

Board Members:

Carrie Thomas, Co-Chair	David Burnham, Co-Chair
Peter Blakeman	Bob DeFelice
Julie McCarthy	Roger Wells
Dan Sundquist, Ex-Officio	Carole O'Connell, Alternate

Respectfully Submitted,

Laurie Hayward
Land Use Coordinator

Report of the Zoning Board of Adjustment And the Building Code Board of Appeals

The Building Code Board of Appeals (BCBA) s meets on an as needed basis to hear appeals of the Building Code. The Zoning Board of Adjustment (ZBA) schedules public hearings for the 3rd Wednesday of the month upon receipt of a request for a Special Exception or a Variance to the Sutton Zoning Ordinance, or for an Appeal from an Administrative Decision. Applications are due by the 15th of the preceding month. The Zoning Ordinance and applications are available at the Town Hall or online.

The ZBA held public hearings on the following appeals in 2013:

1/16/2013 Case Nbr ZBA 2013-01	Amy Palmer 358 Kearsarge Valley Road Map & Lot 07-194,377 Variance Approved with conditions
1/16/2013 Case Nbr ZBA 2013-02.1	Roger Wells, agent for Heather G. Wells 35 Park Avenue Map & Lot 08-146,348 Variance Approved with Conditions
ZBA 2013-02.2	35 Park Avenue Map & Lot 08-146,348 Variance Approved
ZBA 2013-02.3	35 Park Avenue Map & Lot 08-146,348 Variance Approved
2/20/2013 Case Nbr ZBA 2013-03	Christine Kuhlman 77 Penacook Road Map & Lot 08-182,050 Variance Approved with Conditions

2/20/2013 Case Nbr ZBA 2013-04.1	John and Theresa Patterson Old Main Street Map & Lot 04-266,396 Variance Approved with Conditions
ZBA 2013-04.2	Old Main Street Map & Lot 04-266,396 Variance Denied
ZBA 2013-04.3	Old Main Street Map & Lot 04-266,396 Variance Denied
6/19/2013 Case Nbr ZBA 2013-05	Industrial Tower Wireless, LLC Route 103 Map & Lot 01-408,090 Variance Approved with Conditions
5/15/2013 Case Nbr ZBA 2013-06	Ronald E. & Bethany J. Boucier Route 114 Map & Lot 02-718,466 Variance Approved with Conditions
6/19/2013 Case Nbr ZBA 2013-07.01	Stephanie Cerino 46 French Road Map & Lot 09-154,266 Variance No variance required
ZBA 2013-07.02	Stephanie Cerino 46 French Road Map & Lot 09-154,266 Variance Approved
11/20/2013 Case Nbr ZBA 2013-08	Deborah Lang 98 Camp Kemah Road Map & Lot 02-479,224 Variance Approved

11/20/2013
Case Nbr ZBA 2013-09

Dan Bruzga
NH Route 114
Map & Lot 09-840,471
Special Exception
Approved with Conditions

The Zoning Board of Adjustment heard nine cases in 2013, some of them involving more than one Variance and/or Special Exception. Before the Planning Board undertook the Site Plan Review for the Industrial Tower and Wireless, LLC cell tower, the Zoning Board of Adjustment heard the appeal requesting a Special Exception to allow the tower and a Variance for height. The Board requested a balloon test to determine the likely visual impact. The balloon test, done on an April day with very little in the way of foliage to hide the view, showed that the applicant was correct in stating that they felt the site minimized visual impact. Board members checked at various locations within Sutton and found only a few from which the balloon could be seen. The Board approved both the Variance and the Special Exception with the condition that the requested lattice tower at 165 feet be changed to a monopole tower at 135 feet.

Board Members:
William Hallahan, Chair
Dane Headley
Ed Canane
Sue Reel, Alternate
Doug Sweet
Derek Lick
Carla Krajewski, Alternate

Respectfully Submitted,

Laurie Hayward
Sutton Land Use Coordinator

Report Of The Building Inspector/ Code Enforcement Officer

For many years the position of Building Inspector/Code Enforcement Officer in the Town of Sutton was held by Buzz Call. His dedication to the town has not gone unnoticed. His passing is felt by many and will continue to be, long into the future. His family can be proud of all that he gave to his community.

Sixty two building permits were approved this year which is an increase of twelve over last year. It is nice to see that building activity is slowly picking up in Sutton.

The following table represents ten years worth of permit tracking:

Permit	*2003*	*2004*	*2005*	*2006*	*2007*	*2008*	*2009*	*2010*	*2011*	*2012*	*2013*
Houses/Apartments /Camps***	33	29	22	17	13	14	9	3	2	5	6
Additions/Alterations Replacements	11	13	9	4	6	6	2	3	5	3	8
Roofs/Siding	3	4	5	3	2	4	2	3	9	2	1
Barns/Garages/Carports	11	15	13	8	5	6	11	16	2	5	8
Outbuildings/Sheds	13	9	7	13	5	6	9	14	5	9	10
Deck/Sunroom/Porch	18	11	10	9	4	8	6	3	6	5	6
Docks	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Renovations/Repairs	11	12	16	10	5	11	11	9	14	14	11
Commercial/ Government Structure	*1	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	1		
WirelessTower Antennas Ham Radios	1	0	3		0	0	5	3	3	2	2
Demolition of Existing Buildings	1	6	4	3	2	2	1	1	1	2	6
Renewals	1	1	0		0						
Pools/Hot Tubs		2	1	1	3		2				1
Miscellaneous–Dugout, pavilion, gazebo, solar panels,outdoor furnaces, pellet stoves, generators		1	2	2		6	5		7	3	3
Withdrawn			1								
	104	104	94	71	45	63	64	56	56	50	62

*Telecommunication Site ** Loading Dock ***Includes two-family

I would like to offer a warm welcome to the new residents of Sutton who filed for building permits this year. Anyone needing a building permit may pick one up at the Selectmen's Office on Monday, Wednesday or Friday, from 8:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. or visit the Town's website at www.sutton-nh.gov and download an application from the Building Inspector page. Any construction over $1,000 requires a permit. Any change in siding requires a permit (i.e., clapboards to vinyl siding). Changing

asphalt shingles to metal roofing requires a permit. Any additions to the footprint of your structure requires a permit. When in doubt ask.

If you live by a lake, river, or tidal water, it is important for you to learn more about the NH Shoreland Quality Protection Act, which requires a DES state permit for most construction, excavation or filling within the protected shoreland. Visit the following website: http://des.nh.gov/organization/divisions/water/wetlands/cspa/index.htm.

In order to ensure a timely review of your application by the Building Inspector, Wetlands/Shoreland Scientist and Selectmen, please return your completed application to the Selectmen's Office by noon on Wednesday. Every effort will be made to process your building permit at the next Selectmen's Meeting. Finally, if you need questions answered or an inspection conducted, I can be reached at 927-4321.

Thanks to both townspeople and their builders for your continued cooperation.

Matthew Grimes
Building Inspector/ Code Enforcement Officer

Jeffrey Evans
Environmental Code Resource Officer

Sutton Volunteer Fire Deptartment

The members of the Sutton Fire Department are on call seven days a week, 24 hours a day, volunteering their time to serve and protect our town. Members drop whatever they are doing, whether at work or home with family, receiving no compensation from the town, often losing their hourly wages, to respond to an incident at a moment's notice.

Five members of the department, among many, committed a huge amount of time for training this year. Aaron Flewelling devoted over 300 hours, receiving both his level 1 and 2 certification and earning a career level of training. Andy Palmer, Travis Sniffen, Brendan Rowe, and John McBroom were all able to complete level 1 training, consisting of over 200 hours and therefore bringing additional knowledge to our department. We need to recognize and thank all of our members for the time they put into serving our town at all hours day and night, whether it be during inclement weather or holiday weekends. There is more to firefighting than responding to emergency calls. Monthly meetings, committee meetings, and elite trainings require even more hours from our dedicated volunteers, to allow them to stay up and current on matters pertaining to our town.

Chief Chris Rowe and Captain Matt Grimes need to be recognized for their dedication to our department. While both members retired from officer positions in December of 2013, they have each successfully served our town in their own ways, and still remain with the department as firefighters. Chief Rowe joined the Department in 1984 as a firefighter, before serving as lieutenant from 1991-1993. Continuing his career, he accepted the position of Captain from 1994 to 2008 and finally served as Chief from 2008-2013. As Chief, the ongoing commitment of running the department, performing inspections, going to meetings, and overseeing fire prevention and trainings are just some of the duties in a never ending job which also allows gratification in serving the community. Thank you Chief Rowe for your commitment and continued dedication to the department.

Matt Grimes served as Captain of the department for 5 years. Before that he served as a lieutenant for 17 years after initially joining the department as a firefighter in 1981. Matt has been an outstanding, committed member of the department for 33 years, also serving on the rescue squad, responding to additional medical calls that the fire department would not necessarily handle, as well as filling the position of the town of Sutton's Emergency Management Director. Matt will continue to demonstrate his dedication to the town as a firefighter while continuing in his other positions. Thank you Captain Grimes, for all you have done for the town of Sutton.



The department had another busy year responding to a total of 141 calls. These calls range from motor vehicle accidents on Interstate 89, mutual aid calls to neighboring towns, inclement weather bringing power lines and trees down, to smoke investigations.

Here is a breakdown of our calls for 2013.

MVA 0n 89	33
MVA town roads	25
Structure fire	1
Fire alarms	15
Co calls	3
Chimney fires	6
Mutual aid calls	14
Smoke report	7
Power lines down	14
Car fire	3
Animal rescue	1
Misc/ other	19

If anyone is interested in joining the department, Fire meetings are held the first Tuesday of each month, at 7 pm. There are endless jobs and tasks that can be done by all, and all are welcome.

Respectfully submitted,
Chief Cory Cochran

MEMBERS

Chief Cory Cochran
Captain Kevin Rowe
1st Lieutenant Aaron Flewelling
2nd Lieutenant Andy Palmer
Bud Nelson
Garrett Evans
Chris Rowe
Matt Grimes
Darrel Palmer
Pete Thompson
Chip Rowe
Harold Rowe
Kirk Chadwick
Keith Badgley
Ken Day
Shreve Soule
Steve Enroth
Adam Hurst
Spunk Ford
Wendy Grimes
Peter Boucher
Arthur Chadwick
Gary Wilcox
Nick Rowe
Fred Burbee
Tom McLoughlin
Robert Defelice
Sam Dube
Ken Sutton
Brendan Rowe
Carl Smith
JohnMcBroom
Travis Sniffen
Tanner Boucher
John Chilpyian

CADETS:

Tristan Rowe
Nate Thompson
Caleb Cochran
Will Cornellio
Ben Mcloughlin
Ian Mcloughlin
Cindy Rowe
Ashley Thompson



Sutton Volunteer Fire Department Ladies Auxiliary

The Sutton Volunteer Fire Department Ladies Auxiliary is a wonderful organization that supports the fire personnel. We supply them with food and beverages at structure fires, help during various events, help to maintain the fire station, and supply scholarships to High School graduates who are children of fire personnel. If you are interested in joining the Sutton Volunteer Fire Department Ladies Auxiliary, please feel free to contact Becca Rowe at 927-4316. We meet on the first Monday of every other month at 6:30 pm at the Sutton Fire Department unless otherwise notified. All are welcome!

Respectfully submitted,

Becca Rowe
President

Members:
Becca Rowe
Marne Thompson
Melina Cochran
Lois Palmer
Annie Gagnon
Sue Sutton
Sue Badgley
Shelly Boucher
Sheila Wilcox
Diane Sullivan
Kathy Smith

Report of the Sutton NH Forest Fire Warden for 2013

FIRE PERMIT PHONE NUMBER: 603-927-2727

The 2013 fire season was peaceful. Thankfully we had no wild land fires in Sutton. The Deputy Forest Fire Wardens and I appreciate that our Sutton residents obtain fire permits and burn legally and safely.

Written fire permits are required before doing any outdoor burning. PLEASE call 927-2727 (this is an answering machine) to request a fire permit or information regarding outside burning. Please leave your name, address and preferably a local phone number. The deputies and I strive to check the answering machine at noon (on rainy days) and at 5 pm daily. Seasonal permits may be issued for camp and cooking fires provided the area is fire safe. Seasonal permits are valid for the calendar year and need to be requested and obtained each year. Fire Permits are at NO COST but the Warden or Deputy shall inspect each request. Brush can only be burned after 5 pm unless it is raining or the ground is completely covered with snow.

Your Warden and Deputies are volunteers – we strive to answer your calls in a timely fashion.

In 2013 we issued approximately 60 Seasonal Permits, 60 brush fire permits and with the State Forest Ranger, a Commercial Burn Permit for the Sutton Transfer Station.

The safest time to burn brush is when we have snow cover. Please call 927-2727 and leave your name, address and phone number. No permit is required when ground is completely snow covered. By telling us you are burning, we can save tax payer dollars by not needing a full Fire Department response if someone calls in with a 'smoke in the area' call.

Please join me in thanking our deputy wardens Cory Cochran, Garrett Evans, Matt Grimes, Darrel Palmer, Chris Rowe, Kevin Rowe and Gary Wilcox for all of their efforts.

Respectfully,

Warden Bud Nelson

Report of Forest Fire Warden and State Forest Ranger

Your local Forest Fire Warden, Fire Department, and the State of New Hampshire Division of Forests & Lands, work collaboratively to reduce the risk and frequency of wildland fires in New Hampshire. To help us assist you, please contact your local Forest Fire Warden or Fire Department to determine if a permit is required before doing ANY outside burning. Under State law (RSA 227-L:17) a fire permit is required for all outside burning, unless the ground is completely covered with snow. The New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services also prohibits the open burning of household waste. Citizens are encouraged to contact the local fire department or DES at 603-271-1370 or www.des.state.nh.us for more information. Safe open burning requires diligence and responsibility. Help us to protect New Hampshire's forest resources. For more information please contact the Division of Forests & Lands at (603) 271-2214, or online at www.nhdfl.org.

This past fire season started in late March with the first reported fire on March 26th. April, which is the traditional start to our spring fire season, started very dry with little measurable precipitation until the middle of the month. Approximately 70% of our reportable fires occurred during the months of April and May. The largest fire was 51 acres, on April 29th. 81% of our fires occurred on class 3 or 4 fire danger days. By mid May, extensive rains began which provided us with a very wet summer overall. We had a longer fall fire season due to drier than normal conditions following leaf fall. Fortunately most of these fires were small and quickly extinguished. As has been the case over the last few years, state budget constraints have limited the staffing of our statewide system of 16 fire lookout towers to Class III or higher fire danger days. Despite the reduction in the number of days staffed, our fire lookouts are credited with keeping most fires small and saving several structures due to their quick and accurate spotting capabilities. The towers fire spotting was supplemented by the NH Civil Air Patrol when the fire danger was especially high. Many homes in New Hampshire are located in the wildland urban interface, which is the area where homes and flammable wildland fuels intermix. Several of the fires during the 2013 season threatened structures, a constant reminder that forest fires burn more than just trees. Homeowners should take measures to prevent a wildland fire from spreading to their home. Precautions include keeping your roof and gutters clear of leaves and pine needles, and maintaining adequate green space around your home free of flammable materials. Additional information and homeowner recommendations are available at www.firewise.org. Please help Smokey Bear, your local fire department, and the state's Forest Rangers by being fire wise and fire safe!

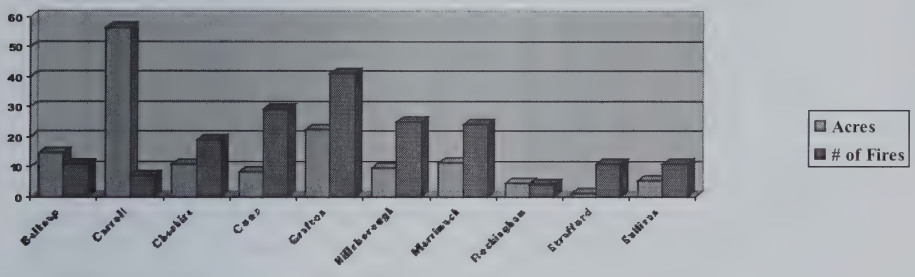
2013 FIRE STATISTICS

(All fires reported as of November 2013)

(figures do not include fires under the jurisdiction of the White Mountain National Forest)

COUNTY STATISTICS

County	Acres	# of Fires
Belknap	14.5	11
Carroll	56.5	7
Cheshire	11	19
Coos	8.5	29
Grafton	22.3	41
Hillsborough	9.5	25
Merrimack	11.2	24
Rockingham	4.3	4
Strafford	1	11
Sullivan	5.2	11



CAUSES OF FIRES REPORTED			Total Fires	Total Acres
Arson	1	2013	182	144
Debris	69	2012	318	206
Campfire	12	2011	125	42
Children	1	2010	360	145
Smoking	10	2009	334	173
Railroad	0			
Equipment	4			
Lightning	0			
Misc.*	85 (*Misc.: power lines, fireworks, electric fences, etc.)			

ONLY YOU CAN PREVENT WILDLAND FIRE

Report of the Sutton Rescue Squad – 2013

Another year has drawn to a close and with that it is time for the annual update of Sutton Rescue. We closed out the year with 185 patient contacts, an increase by 20 from last year. This speaks to how busy our little community is becoming. It seemed that the last week in December was especially busy for us with multiple calls over multiple days. Unless you are a member of either Sutton Rescue or Sutton Fire, it is nearly impossible to appreciate the time and energy that members give to our community. Each member of Sutton Rescue goes through a refresher recertification every two years which involves 24 hours of lecture and hands on training. In addition to these, 48 hours of continuing education is required to maintain our NH and national registry certification. Sutton Rescue pays for all recertifications and any continuing education that is not free through the money allocated to us through taxes. We also use these funds to purchase any equipment and personal protective equipment necessary to do our job. We are grateful to the tax payers and those who generously donate to our agency for all that you give. Members of our department worked closely with various agencies to update the Town Hazard Mitigation plan. This plan is available at the town hall for your perusal and is a federal requirement of all communities. We provided support to the community at Muster Field Farm Icing Day and Farm Days as well as Kearsarge Regional High School graduation ceremony and fall sports night. Sutton Rescue members provide mutual aid assistance to Wilmot Rescue for Colby- Sawyer College's Mountain Day each fall. Sutton Rescue, along with Sutton Fire, responds to all motor vehicle accidents both on our town roads and on I-89. The majority of these are on the highway and naturally during the worst of weather conditions. Medical assistance is provided when requested at any of the three schools. More often than not this is for a sports related injury. We provide first response care for many in our town, be it a sick person, fall victim or standby for Sutton Fire at chimney or structure fires. We continue to train with Sutton Fire and Sutton Explorer Post #90 on scene safety, vehicle extrication, cold water rescue, low-angle rescue, mass casualty incidents, and trauma triage to name but a few. Sutton Fire and Rescue work closely with each of our three schools' emergency management plans in the event one of our schools experiences an event. We train closely with area departments, allowing us to work as a team for those times when we are called in for mutual aid such as a carry-out from Winslow State Park or a motor vehicle accident. Our goal for 2014 is to continue with state-of-the art training, outreach efforts to anyone interested in working with a great group of people, and providing care to members of our community and those who travel through it. If you are interested in learning more about Sutton Rescue, please come to

one of our monthly meetings, held the 2nd Tuesday of the month at 6:00 pm at the Sutton Fire Station.

Sutton Rescue is a strong emergency medical service of which you can be proud. When you see a firefighter or EMS person out and about, please take a moment to just say thanks. They truly are Sutton's unsung heroes!

As always we extend a huge thanks to the Sutton Police Department, Highway Department, Fire Department, Explorers, Auxiliary, and the Board of Selectmen and office personnel for their continued support.

Respectfully submitted,

Wendy Grimes
Chief

"Volunteers do not necessarily have the time; they have the heart."
Elizabeth Andrew

Deb Bede, AEMT
David Biron, EMT
Ken Day, AEMT
Garrett Evans, 1st Responder
Aaron Flewelling, EMT
Bette Fredrickson, EMT
Bev Gagnon, EMT
Matt Grimes, EMT
Wendy Grimes, EMT
Susan Henley, EMT
Cicely Markoff, EMT
Heather Rowe, EMT
Kevin Rowe, 1st Responder
Alf Rylander, Paramedic
Shreve Soule, 1st Responder
Brenda Spencer, AEMT



SUTTON EXPLORER POST #90

Sutton Explorer Post #90 is a group of 14 to 21 year old students who show an interest in the fire and rescue service. We are considered members of both the Sutton Volunteer Fire Department and Sutton Rescue Squad. As cadets, we can go on most of the calls, but we still have restrictions as to what stuff we can and can't do to keep us safe. Some of the restrictions are that we can't go on the highway, climb a ladder over 35 feet, enter a burning structure, or run power equipment. Even with these restrictions cadets can do a lot. We can attend meetings and trainings. The program sets us up with the training and skills that are needed for when we turn 18 and can join the actual departments. At the scene of a call, cadets can get the firefighters the tools they need and do jobs outside of a burning structure. On car accidents, cadets can direct traffic and help with jobs around the car but cadets cannot run power equipment until they turn 18 years old and have training with that piece of equipment. Cadets can go on forest fire calls if they are over the age of 16 and have training to do so. If cadets are responding to a call, they have to go to the firehouse first, not directly to the scene. Once there, cadets wait for further instructions from an officer on the department. As a cadet you can also respond to a rescue call if your cadet advisor says that it is ok to do so. If you are interested in joining the cadet program, please call Wendy Grimes at 927-4321 or talk to one of the cadets listed below.

Respectfully Submitted,

Nathan Thompson, Co-Captain

Caleb Cochran	Cody Rowe	Zach Wesoja
Joe Cornelio	Tristan Rowe	
Will Cornelio	Ashley Thompson	
Ian McLoughlin	Nate Thompson	



Office of Emergency Management – 2013

The Office of Emergency Management for the Town of Sutton continues to work to keep our Emergency Operations Plan current. This year several town departments and volunteers worked for several months to update the town's Hazard Mitigation Plan. It is a plan that identifies potential hazards within the town and allows us to possibly obtain grant funding to remedy them.

Regular training on Code Red continues to be a top priority. Code Red is an emergency broadcast system that can be used by Sutton to notify residents of important information. It can be used to help find a lost person, notify residents where to seek shelter in an emergency, and has even been used to notify residents of an unusual rash of burglaries taking place. Residents **MUST** sign up for this feature. If you have internet access you can go to http://www.sutton-nh.gov/public_documents/index,click on "Welcome to Sutton, NH" and scroll to the bottom of the page to the box marked



Follow the instructions. If you do not have computer access please contact me or the Office of the Selectmen to have your phone numbers added to this list. Your telephone numbers and demographic information will not be shared with anyone. You can rest assured that this is only used in emergency situations. This saves a huge amount of time and energy for Fire, Rescue and Police when we are trying to reach as many people as possible with important information.

Thankfully this year things were fairly quiet in Sutton. We were prepared for some weather situations, but we were spared unlike other parts of the state. This office works closely with Sutton Fire, Rescue, Police and the Office of the Selectmen to coordinate efforts in a streamlined fashion. I would like to express my thanks for their on-going support.

Respectfully submitted,

Matthew Grimes
Emergency Management Director

Report Of The Sutton Conservation Commission

In 1963, the New Hampshire Legislature passed RSA 36-A, which enables cities and towns to establish local conservation commissions. The voters in Sutton established the Sutton Conservation Commission (SCC) at the 1970 town meeting. The annual report for 1969, which includes the 1970 warrant, gives little clue as to what issues prompted the town to consider establishing a conservation commission. It was a time when the fate of Kezar Lake was in question. Frequent algae blooms detracted from its water quality and natural beauty. No doubt, Kezar Lake played a role in the positive vote for the SCC. The first SCC report to the town appeared in the 1971 annual report. In that report, Chairman William King outlined the duties of a conservation commission. He also devoted much of that report to introduce the concept of utilizing a conservation easement to protect and preserve property. His words were the first in a Sutton town report to explain how a town could support a private landowner with the goal of conserving their land.
That first SCC board laid the foundation for a tradition that continues to this day, and that is an educational outreach to the Sutton community. In recent years the SCC has sponsored educational programs in conjunction with Ausbon Sargent Land Preservation Trust, the Forest Society, UNH Cooperative Extension and NH Timberland Owners Association. On Aug 1st, at the First Free Will Baptist Church in North Sutton, the SCC sponsored a program on coexisting with beaver. Skip Lisle, President of Beaver Deceivers, Int., demonstrated to persons from Sutton and neighboring towns how beaver dam construction and pond size could be controlled by the clever utilization of devices that tricked beaver into thinking there was no breach in their dam or that they had it under control. The devices could be an alternative to trapping for beaver control.

Much our time this past year was focused on the newly acquired William Bean Quarry (WBQ). Many hours were spent on hikes of exploration and discovery on the 139 acre property. It is proving to be more than we dreamed it would be. Wilbur LaPage, former Director of New Hampshire State Division of State Parks, once said, every natural area is a historic site and every historic site is a natural area. They cannot be separated. We have found that the forest at WBQ is lush and exciting. Deer, moose, bear and turkey live in or frequent the special place and numerous smaller critters can be found there too. Pristine stonewalls, cellar holes and the old granite quarries scattered about in several locations tell us much about the rugged individuals who settled there during the early days of our town. The famous Sutton balancing rock is found there, near the high point of King Hill. We have determined that the snowmobile trail leading from Kings Hill Rd. to the King Hill Reservation (KHR), across the quarry property,

will make an exceptional hiking trail. WBQ is already proving to be the perfect compliment to abutting KHR and the nearby Maple Leaf Natural Area (MLNA).



The Sunapee-Ragged Kearsarge Greenway (SRK) received a grant from the Quabbin to Cardigan Initiative (Q2C) to conduct educational trail maintenance workshops in the SRK area. The SCC partnered with the SRK to conduct one of the workshops in Sutton at WBQ. The September workshop attracted 20 participants from Sutton and other towns. The large group allowed work to be done on the Quarry Walk, a trail from Stone House Rd., as well as work on the WBQ trail.



We have installed a new sign at the MLNA parking area. This small parking lot at the foot of King Hill serves MLNA and the Kings Hill Rd. entry to KHR. Hikers at WBQ will be able to park here and hike up Kings Hill Rd. to the trail. We also did preliminary explorations for a trail route connecting the parking area with some of the KHR trails.

Weather was favorable, and we were able to get back on track with the 3-year cycle trail-mowing program at KHR. It is important for us to maintain some open space for wildlife habitat at KHR. This year the area mowing was down on the old north side. We also began to discuss the future of the old snowmaking pump house. A decision as to what we should do with it should be made this year.

Progress at the Webb-Crowell Forest (WCF) has been stalled for some time. The parking area off Eaton Grange Rd. tends to be wet, as does the trail (an old logging road) that provides access to the property on the Eaton Grange Rd. side of the Lane river. Crossing the river has proved to be difficult, too. We determined the best site for a bridge

some time ago, but what type of bridge to construct there had proved to be a problem. This year we took measures to solve both problems.



Drainage was improved near the parking area and on the trail. Gravel was added to the trail to firm it up. More drainage and firming maybe required. In addition, another section of the trail should receive similar treatment. A contractor helped us solve the bridge issue. He had a 29 foot long, 30-inch wide I beam that had a slight bend and was long enough to span the river. He suggested that we place it on its side with the arch up, a perfect width for pedestrian traffic. It is incredible. It looks like it has been there forever. The contractor constructed a short trail from the existing trail to the bridge site and managed to place the beam without damaging any of the surrounding trees, plants or natural features.

Looking ahead, our plans for the current year include: developing a forest management plan for William Bean Quarry. Once this is in place, we will consider when and where to do a timber harvest at the site. Funds from the harvest would go to the Town's General Fund. We will also be completing the trail at the quarry. Other trail work will include trail maintenance at KHR and Enroth-Lefferts. Trail layout will be started at MLNA and WCF. Hopefully a trail will be constructed on the other side of the river at WCF. We hope to work on new trail maps. Of course we will have an educational program, subject to be determined, with suggestions welcomed. Volunteers to assist with our trail work are always appreciated.

We invite you take time to explore your properties, conserved and protected forever, and discover what makes them unique and special and at the same time identify nearly lost relics from our past. Thank you for your support. - Don Davis

Betsy Forsham, Chair	Gerry Putnam	Henry Howell, Alternate
Don Davis	Garrett Evans	Chris Ashton, Alternate
Jean LaChance	Ben Dobrowski	Walter Baker, Jr., Bd. of Selectmen

Conservation is a state of harmony between men and land.
Aldo Leopold

Sutton Historical Society 2013 Annual Report

The Sutton Historical Society, established in 1985, is a non-profit organization whose objective is the preservation of the history of the Town of Sutton, the education and awareness of the importance of that history, as well as the preservation of our buildings and the historical items given to our care. We cooperate with other societies as appropriate for the furtherance of these purposes. Special fund-raising activities are conducted to assure the achievement of this mission.

The final phase of the repairs to the Meeting House were completed this summer. More finish-coat plastering took place, and the entire cove ceiling and side walls were painted by Brilliance Painting of Sunapee. We raised just over $14,000 towards the $24,000 cost of the roof, cornices, plastering and painting.

At the Cressey House, sixteen new replacement windows were installed by Matt Grimes. They are aluminum-clad on the outside, wood on the inside, and have the same two-over-two pane configuration, so we have preserved the original character of the house. Plus, they are thermopane, weather-tight and have screens. This will fulfill safety concerns about the original windows, as many were painted shut and had no storm windows or screens.

There are a number of projects we are working on, such as an Accessions policy. People like to give us things, good things, interesting things, valuable things, sometimes not-so relevant things, and we are grateful for all of it. Don Davis suggested we develop written policies to address these donations and how they would relate to our collection of artifacts and documents. Don formed a committee and also reached out to the Warner Historical Society to see how they handle their donated items. The Accessions committee has drafted a Donations and Collections policy which outlines the conditions of acceptance of donated items. Also, there is an Instrument of Donation form, which is signed by the donor and an authorized SHS representative.

We are in the process of upgrading our computer capabilities to be compatible with the most recent version of "PastPerfect" software needed to begin archiving our collection of artifacts and documents. The hardware and software are estimated to cost about $2500. We are hoping to engage a student-volunteer from Kearsarge Regional High School or Colby-Sawyer to assist us in archiving, which could help them fulfill their educational requirements.

We are now sharing some of our documents and artifacts with the Town

library so they can be exhibited to the public. We thank Heidi Thoma for her energetic interest in Sutton's history. Currently, Neil Roberts' Sutton Little League uniform from the 1960's is on display. Neil donated the uniform to the Town, who, in-turn, donated it to the SHS.

The Sutton Historical Society is proud to announce four BARROWS and JANE B. PRATT SCHOLARSHIP winners this year: Haley Pollock of North Sutton graduated from Kimball Union Academy and is off to California State at Fullerton. The other three winners are Kearsarge Regional graduates: Emma Clarke MacAllister of South Sutton is attending Colby Sawyer College in New London, Wade O'Neil of Sutton Mills is going to New England College in Henniker, and Rose Lovett of Sutton is enrolled at Keene State College. This fund was established in 1999 by Frederick (Fritz) Pratt in memory of his in-laws. His hope was that the fund might encourage young people to become more interested and active in the Society. With the passing of his wife Jane in 2008, the fund now includes her name. Fritz continues to contribute generously to the scholarship fund on an annual basis. In keeping with Fritz's original hopes, we encourage more residents to be involved in their community and with the SHS.

The standard application criteria for the $1000.00 scholarship are as follows:

- *Student is a Sutton resident, and parents or guardians have been members of the SHS for the past two years.*
- *A High School senior accepted to a higher-level educational institution, and provide school name and location in submission.*
- *Essay of three or more pages about how living in Sutton has shaped his/her life and contributed to future plans and goals.*
- *Provide GPA average, any extra-curricular activities and community service student is involved in.*
- *Essay will be typed in a Word document format that can be e-mailed as an attachment. We ask that the essay portion of your submission contains at least 800 words.*

We currently have 220 individuals and families as SHS members. New members in fiscal 2013 were Bruno & Marilou Steblai of South Sutton; Heidi Thoma & David Gardner of North Sutton; Jane & Peter Whiting of Framingham, MA; Peter & Anita Blakeman of North Sutton; and Mr. & Mrs. Dalton of North Sutton. Also of note, John Mears became a lifetime member.

Judy Lowe has delivered ten Welcome baskets to new residents of Sutton. As Sutton's Town correspondent, we also thank Judy for promoting our events in her InterTown Record column.

Our first fundraising event in 2013 was on January 27, combining our

5th annual pancake breakfast with Muster Field Farm's Ice Day. This was a record-breaker with 258 hungry souls going through the buffet line. Our whole crew was in double-over-drive, but we managed to get everyone fed. Net profit after expenses was $1,092! The Potluck supper on May 2nd was a huge hit, as was the program that followed about the Old Man of the Mountain with Maggie Stier from the NH Humanities Council.

On June 28, we joined forces with the Bradford and Warner Historical Societies and hosted "Depot to Destination: Concord Coach Connections". This was a Dessert Social followed by a presentation by the Abbot-Downing Historical Society about the history of the Concord Coach. Over 100 people enjoyed the yummy desserts and the lively and informative presentation. All proceeds were donated to the Abbot-Downing Society.

During the summer and early fall, the Cressey House was open to the public on Saturday mornings, welcoming folks to stop by to see our collection of artifacts, photos and memorabilia. In the future, we plan to expand on this by holding educational events and historical walks. Jack Noon and Carlton Bradford continue their pursuit of organizing and cataloguing our documents, which is an on-going project.



Jody Wells & Carole O'Connell on Old Home Day (Photo by Sue Esposito)

Our 98th Old Home Day took place on Sunday, August 18. The Reverend Dick Dutton did his usual superb job of officiating. We had three new musical guests this year, all from Sutton. Betty Blodgett played the organ for the service and Frances Steven-Putnam sang beautifully, accompanied by Gerry Putnam on guitar. This year's program featured Sutton's one-room schoolhouses. Don Davis did a great job on a slide show and in organizing a panel of original students who told stories about attending the various one room schools in town. In two years, it will be Sutton's 100th celebration of Old Home Day. We would like to get all of the Sutton community Associations and Town Boards involved so we can turn this unique-to-NH tradition into something very special again.

Saturday, October 12, was Columbus Day weekend, and the Warner Fall Foliage Festival was in full swing. What a perfect time to have a colossal

yard sale and "Mrs. Claus's Attic" featuring new and previously-owned Christmas items, locally-designed articles including crafts, decorations and gift bags, plus SHS books and memorabilia and a bake sale. This successful event ran from 9 AM to 3 PM on the lawn at the Cressey House. The Cultural Events Committee setup colorful tents and strung lights the day before, which attracted many passers-by. Saturday was a dreary weather day, but the morning, in particular, brought in lots of customers. We netted close to $800, the bulk of that being craft sales and assorted yard sale objects. We appreciate everyone who donated new and used items and took the time to make the delicious baked goods.

Our Annual Meeting took place on Sunday, October 27 at 4:00 at the Free Will Baptist church in North Sutton. About 60 folks arrived to meet and greet, munch on some wonderful home-made appetizers and enjoy the hot & cold beverages. After the business meeting, we welcomed our special guest, Debbie Stanley, Executive Director of Ausbon Sargent Land Preservation Trust. Debbie presented a marvelous slide show featuring a pictorial "walk-through-Sutton", highlighting the conserved properties in town, such as the William Bean Quarry, King Hill Reservation and Russell Pond. Sutton's Conservation Commission Chairperson, Betsy Forsham, joined in the dialogue and shared her recent discovery of not one, but two, matching moose antlers she found on King Hill, a perfect way to demonstrate the rewards and the importance of conservation land in Sutton.

On Sunday, November 24, Woodcrest Village in New London held a Craft Show with about 40 vendors peddling their wares. The Sutton Historical Society decided it would be great exposure to generate public awareness towards the wonderful crafts and baked goods made locally by our very own members. The baked goods were the biggest hit, particularly the Thanksgiving-themed goodies. We thank Carrie Godkin, Sue Esposito and Betty Hamilton for all their creativity and hard work. Plus they had to carry everything to and from the show!

Our fourth annual Cookie & Candy Walk was a huge success. It was held on Saturday, December 14, which is a bit closer to Christmas than we have held it in the past. With the newly expanded collection of home-made holiday treats, local crafts, decorations and jewelry, plus SHS books, cards and mugs, there was truly something for everyone. The Cressey House was beautifully decorated as an enchanting historical holiday wonderland. A raffle was offered with collectable dolls, a Santa, a breakfast gift basket, a Christmas centerpiece and a patriotic blanket. Five winners took home these super prizes. Santa Claus made his anxiously awaited appearance to the delight of the children who sat on his knee and beamed with smiles. We are very grateful to Jim Lowe, who happens to have a close, personal relationship with Santa. All this was made possible by Carrie Godkin and her "elves", who

did the crafts, decorating and organizing for this remarkable undertaking; Sue Esposito, Marilou & Bruno Steblai, Betty Hamilton, Betty Whittemore, Judy Lowe and Sara Coyle. Carrie personally thanks all of the amazing bakers and candy makers. Their hard work paid off as we brought in over $800, about $500 being revenue from cookie & candy sales. Carrie and the elves are already working on new ideas for next year!



Elves (left to right), Betty Hamilton, Betty Whittemore and Marilou Steblai with Carrie Godkin (Photo by elf, Sue Esposito)

Muster Field Farm Days in August and Harvest Day in October are occasions that the SHS is proud to be associated with. We made $244 in fiscal 2013 at these events. On Election days in November and March, we brought in $1,042 at the bake sale and book tables. We thank Jean LaChance, Community Outreach chair, for organizing the bakers and volunteers and for manning the tables. Carrie Godkin, Cultural Events chair, has done a wonderful job coordinating our fundraising events. She has assembled a tremendously devoted and able group. Kudos to all of them! The SHS quarterly newsletter continues to be my "labor of love", labor being the operative word. I truly appreciate everyone who contributes ideas, photos and articles, and in particular, I thank Sandy Nelson, the "Comma Queen" for her continuing corrections to my grammar and punctuation.

Fritz Pratt continues to "Drudge" along, always ready to help. Barbara and Lyman Smith have been cleaning the inside of the Cressey house; Gary Wilcox has been mowing and plowing. Art Robbins did a wonderful job on the herb garden and flower barrels, and Gayle Bates unearthed some lovely perennial beds that were overgrown with weeds.

President's note: I personally express my gratitude to the officers, directors and chair people for all the ideas, support and encouragement they have provided during my second year as President. Many incredible people have given their time and energy to help make 2013 a noteworthy year for the Sutton Historical Society. I am very grateful for every SHS member and volunteer who is out there in the front lines, or is quietly behind the scenes.

Respectfully submitted,
Carole O'Connell, President

2013 Officers:
Carrie Thomas, Vice President
Don Davis, Clerk
Kristin Brooks, Treasurer
2013 Board of Directors:
Wally Baker
Chan Blodgett
Carlton Bradford
Sara Coyle
Sue Esposito
Carrie Godkin
Janet Paul
Jody Wells



Report of the Health Officer

For those of you that may require the services of your local Health Officer, the following is a summary of my duties and responsibilities:

- To enforce the NH public health rules and regulations;
- To serve as a liaison between state officials and the local community on issues concerning public health;
- To inspect foster homes, day care facilities, septic systems and nuisance complaints such as garbage;
- To inspect food establishments;
- To deal with any food borne and communicable disease outbreaks or any issue that would impact the public health of the citizens of Sutton.

A reoccurring problem that we have in Sutton is with dumpsters not being emptied. Times are tight, but it is important that dumpsters get emptied regularly, otherwise they create a nuisance (health hazard). If we have to go to court, that costs everybody, so please comply with the town's Public Health Regulations.

To facilitate a referral to the Health Officer, please contact the Selectmen's Office at 927-4416.

Respectfully submitted,

David Burnham
Health Officer

Town Report, 2013
Overseer of Welfare

So how did we do this year? I would say it was a mixed bag for the welfare department. Applications were on the rise looking for assistance; some we could help and some didn't qualify. Those clients who were borderline, so close to being considered, but not quite able to qualify for Town assistance were able to receive food cards to help them over the major hump.

But, that made us really short of cards for the Thanksgiving holidays. Luckily, through the goodness and generosity of several Town folks and a local business, we got through the Thanksgiving days. I think this is a real reason to patronize local businesses, as few as they are. Then, during the Christmas holidays, things balanced out.
Yes, there is the wonderful food bank at Trinity Bible Church which has helped many, both in town and outside the town boundaries. What a blessing that has been. And you don't have to be Baptist!!
Also this year firewood became available. We had 3 calls for firewood. The Town cannot deliver the wood, so if surplus wood appears, we need to organize a way of getting it to the client. How can we facilitate this assistance in the coming year of 2014? Any ideas out there?

Problems -- yes. We need help with solutions.

I also want to thank the gentleman who so generously gave of his time, energy and vehicle to help with an unusual and difficult case. You know who you are - a special thank you.

The office of Overseer of Welfare has changed significantly over the last 22 years. Needs far outweigh the wants we have experienced in the office. It's a challenge to balance the needs of this community and the budget. What has made it possible so far are the neighbors who come forward to help. That's what makes this town a light in the darkness.

Thank you for everything.
Respectively submitted,

Courtney Haase
Overseer of Welfare

Report of the Sutton Free Library

Sutton Free Library had an active year. The Trustees and Librarians worked diligently to meet the 2012 survey respondents' "wants".

The year started by equipping the library with hardware for public programs and patron use as well as a scanner for efficient online cataloging. WiFi has been enabled 24/7 since November 2012. An added bonus was a fax machine donated by Becky Harrington. These items promoted the much wanted computer/Internet access. They also expedited the on line cataloging which enabled joining NH Inter-library Loan (ILL).

Patrons' desire for new books, new adult programs and new children's activities also began in the first quarter of the year. Thanks to Trustee Shannon Storm's grant proposals, SFL received two grants early in 2013! A huge grant from the Children's Literacy Foundation (CLiF) funded $2,000 of new children's books and hosted two children's community literacy workshops. The second grant netted $150 from the Rotary Club. This enhanced a five session poetry program for adults. Around the same time, the library held a training session on the state's Downloadable Books Program. This is quite an asset for patrons. Contact the library to learn how to have 24/7 access to thousands of eBooks and audiobooks.

When the town budget passed at town meeting in March, library hours increased as the survey "wants" requested. Thanks to the Sutton voters for approving warrant articles allowing the library to accept donations and bring operations up to date with state RSAs.

With more people using and attending library activities, the Trustees focused on building policies and inspections. Policies were established for copy equipment, fax and phone usage as well as Inter-Library Loan. Prior to setting Meeting Room policy, Fire Chief Chris Rowe was consulted. His main concern was the need for crash bars at exits. Trustees were concerned with unstable bookshelves. Department of Labor added to the list of safety concerns noting the need for a GFI outlet near the kitchenette sink. Local vendor, S. Murdough, was awarded the contract to install 2 crash bars and to stabilize the stand-alone shelving with iron braces, his practical and aesthetic solution to a potentially dangerous situation.

Two final crash bars on a secondary egress, the GFI outlet, and a small water heater (only cold water is currently available) still needed funding. Trustee Storm wrote additional grant proposals. Thanks to her efforts, the Trustees secured funding to finance these improvements.

The most significant grant was from Mascoma Savings Bank Foundation. Other grants came from Sugar River and Lake Sunapee Savings Bank. Thanks to these grants the crash bars, water heater and electrical are scheduled for early 2014.

Additional inspections took place. The water quality was state tested. The test results were good except for the lead in the "standing water" portion. This was at the highest acceptable level. The Trustees were not comfortable with patrons drinking library water. They are having bottled water available instead.

The most compelling inspection story at the library was the septic system. No records existed of the system having been pumped or inspected since it's installation in 1940. This inspection required a joint effort from Henniker Septic with Steve Bagley and John Csutor, of the Sutton Highway Department. Together they located, exposed, pumped and inspected the original tank. On-site for the events were Dan Sundquist, Town Selectman, and Beth Cernek, Library Trustee. Each noted that the tanks and baffles were in good condition. Though the system is working, it is not in compliance with current state regulations. Any septic overflow empties into the adjacent Lane River. At Dan's recommendation, a test pit was dug and a septic design done. Thanks Steve, John and Dan for help with this inspection. Sutton voters will help decide the future of the library's septic system.

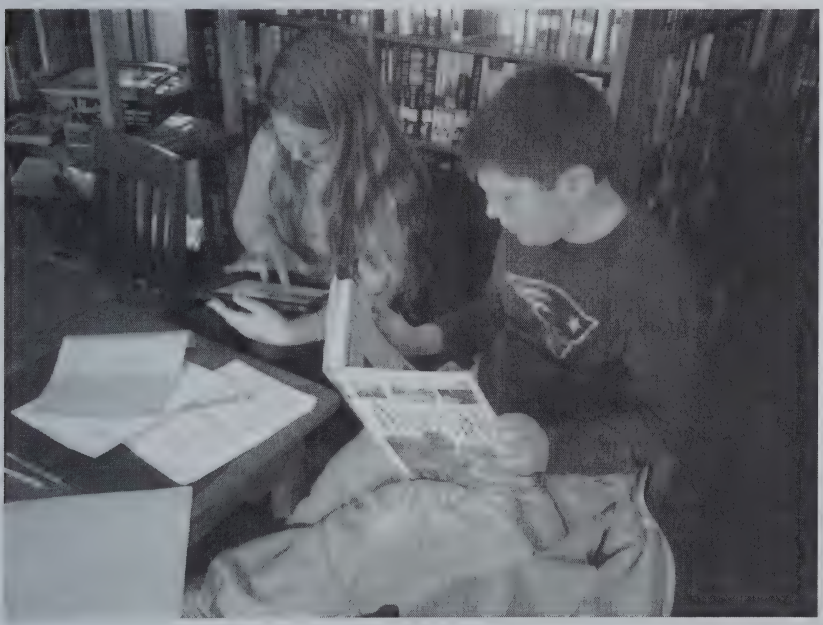
The Trustees are aware that the Sutton Free Library is not ADA compliant. Acknowledging that significant structural changes will mandate critical yet costly compliance with extensive ADA regulations, the Board has explored alternative solutions to meet the needs of patrons unable to access programs and materials. Any library sponsored activity will be relocated with sufficient notice. Other accommodations are being explored. Please let the library know if you have specific mobility limitations. The Trustees and Librarians will collaborate to meet as many patron needs as possible. In this tech era, many exciting options are possible.

The Librarians have been equally busy this year exceeding survey "wants". Their hard work and exciting programs are obvious. Reading on, you may recall activities and events you participated in and /or discover ones you missed! To ensure their plans occur regardless of ill health or prior commitments, the Trustees hired two librarian substitutes. Please welcome Sutton residents, Karin Heffernan and Sara Coyle when they sub for Heidi or Jenn.

Events for all ages at Sutton Library!
2013 brought amazing growth at the Sutton Free Library. Both the number of daily visitors and the daily checkouts more than doubled

this year. Use of the downloadable e-books and audiobooks program are strong and growing rapidly. The library is now an active participant in the NH Inter-Library Loan (ILL) program at no additional cost to the town or patrons. We loan to other libraries in the state as well as borrow for our patrons through this ILL program.

One of the goals for 2013 was to increase community programming. An adult poetry program in the spring was bolstered by the support of a grant from the New London Rotary's Literacy Committee. The library was also endowed with a generous grant from the Children's Literacy Foundation (CLiF) which supplied books as well as incredible story-telling to the community. In 2013, the Library introduced a weekly storytime at 10:15 on Monday mornings. Sutton continues to offer the ever-popular summer reading program that was enhanced by the family book to movie nights. Thanks to Vernondale Store and Arctic Dreams for supporting these programs.



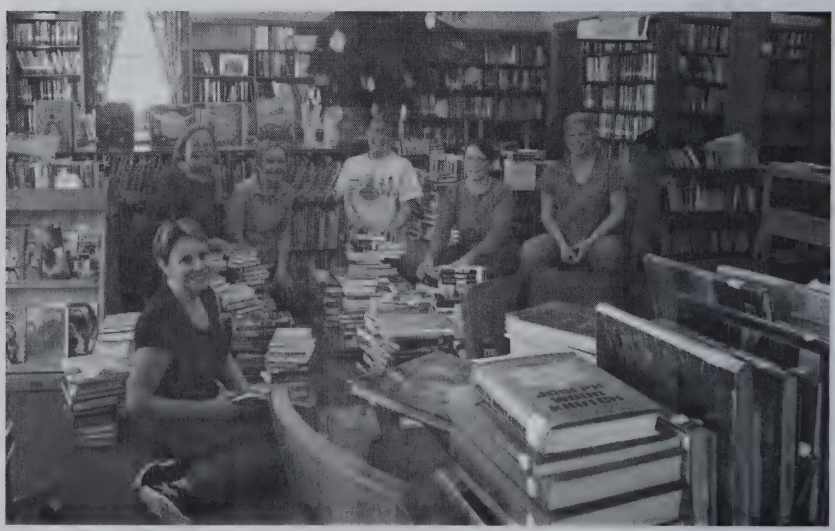
Sutton Central Kindergarteners continue to visit the library on a regular basis as they have through many years. They are now joined by their older counterparts. The spring of 2013 included library programs for the first, third and fifth graders at Sutton Central. We look forward to expanding the relationship to all grades at Sutton and have enjoyed working with the Reading enrichment program and serving as judges for their annual spelling bee. This fall, the library hosted a Kearsarge Regional School District Leadership group of 5th grade ambassadors who will serve to unite their class as they merge into 6th grade at the middle school.

Adults will find more to do at the library this year as 2013 launched the Sutton Library Book Discussion as well as Game Night! Both events are held at 6pm on Monday evenings: Games the 2nd Monday and Book Discussion the 3rd Monday. Call the library for details: 927-4927. Offerings of Adult computer training and craft sessions were held this year and will be continued as requests are received. Feel free to drop by with any tech questions you have, from using a new device to updating your resume and completing online surveys.

The Grace Nelson meeting room is available for use by groups of up to 25 people (limited by fire code). Local groups have enjoyed this community resource throughout the year. Call for availability and details.

Collection Organization/Development/Assessment

2013 marked a watershed year as the non-fiction volumes were organized into Dewey-Decimal classification. Incredible thanks to a team of volunteers who donated their time and energy to the reorg one beautiful May weekend. Thanks also to Trustee Chair Beth Cernek for the tasty minestrone and refreshments! Speaking of volunteers...our collection has been moved and shifted throughout the year thanks to a few amazing volunteers who appeared religiously every Wednesday morning. Regarding volunteers, a partnership with New England College/federal work-study dollars allows the library the help of local resident Wade O'Neil, at no expense, on many Wednesday evenings, entering donations into our database for processing. Over a thousand items have been donated for circulation this year! Audiobooks, DVD's and recent hardcovers in good condition are always appreciated. Thanks to all who donate time and materials to the library - your input inspires literacy and collaboration in our amazing community.



The collection continues to develop at Sutton Library - patron input is the number one driver of what we are led to purchase. After reviewing the literature on new releases and best-sellers, your input is always the most valuable resource in expanding the collection. Come in and give feedback on what you'd like to see on the shelves.

"Build it and they will come" seems to summarize Sutton Free Library this year. The equipment, building improvements and energetic librarians magnetized the Sutton community. Donors, volunteers and patrons have increased all year. Thanks Sutton residents for your interest and support!

Sutton Free Library
(603) 927-4927
m 10-12 & 3-7
w 8-12 & 3-7
sat 10-2

Respectfully Submitted by
Beth Cernek, Chair, Board of Trustees
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Carrie Thomas

Report of the Sutton Free Library

All amounts are expressed in USA Dollars.

	Town Accounts	Library Accounts	Total
REVENUES			
Grants & donations		3,152.00	3,152.00
	-	3,152.00	3,152.00
EXPENDITURES			
Current - Culture and Recreation			
Salaries and Benefits	18,543.00		18,543.00
Other Administrative Costs	1,970.37	160.14	2,130.51
Books, Periodicals and Programs	1,514.25	190.59	1,704.84
Operations and Maintenance of Facilities	7,926.13		7,926.13
	29,953.75	350.73	30,304.48
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures	(29,953.75)	2,801.27	(27,152.48)
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)			
Transfers in			
General Fund	29,953.75		29,953.75
	29,953.75	-	29,953.75
Net change in fund balances	-	2,801.27	2,801.27
Fund balances - beginning		459.34	459.34
Fund balances - ending	-	3,260.61	3,260.61

Respectfully Submitted,

Rebecca Harrington, Treasurer

Central New Hampshire Regional Planning Commission

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Established in accordance with state law, the Central New Hampshire Regional Planning Commission (CNHRPC) is a voluntary association of 20 communities in Merrimack and Hillsborough Counties. The Town of Sutton is a member in good standing of the Commission.

CNHRPC's mission is to comply with State statute (RSA 36:47) by preparing and adopting regional land use and transportation plans and a regional housing needs assessment. CNHRPC also evaluates developments of regional impact (RSA 36:54-58) and provides data, information, training, and high-quality, cost-effective services to our member communities. CNHRPC advocates for member communities and assists and encourages them in both municipal and regional endeavors.

In 2013, the Central New Hampshire Regional Planning Commission undertook the following local and region-wide activities:

- Provided **technical assistance services** for member communities, including zoning ordinance development, grant writing assistance, plan review services, local master plan development, capital improvements program development and guidance, and planning board process training.
- Maintained **Hazard Mitigation Plan** update development assistance for seven communities through funding from the NH Department of Homeland Security and Emergency Management (NH HSEM) and the NH Department of Environmental Services (NH DES).
- Continued to work together with the CEDS Strategy Committee and Southern NH Planning Commission to develop the **Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS)**. Key successes for 2013 included the Strength, Weakness, Opportunity and Threat (SWOT) analysis, and finalized the goals and objectives of the CEDS. In 2014, specific projects will be identified and the final CEDS will be prepared. The CEDS will contribute information to the Regional Plan.
- Coordinated the activities of the **CNHRPC Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC)**. Emilio Cancio-Bello is the Town's TAC representative. In 2013, CNHRPC staff worked with the TAC to complete the preparation of the 2015-2024 Regional Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to ensure that the region's needs were adequately addressed in the State Ten Year

Highway Transportation Plan. Information related to the TIP update process can be found at www.cnhrpc.org/transportation/transportation-improvement-program-tip.

- Offered its member communities a **Road Surface Management System (RSMS)** program, through transportation planning activities, which provides an overview and estimate of a municipal road system's condition and the approximate costs for future improvements. Sutton submitted a special project request to have CNHRPC assist with the implementation of RSMS to the CNHRPC TAC. The request was approved and work will begin in the Spring of 2014.
- Completed over **200 traffic counts in the region** as part of its annual Transportation Data Collection Program. These figures are available on the CNHRPC website at www.cnhrpc.org/gis-a-data/traffic-count-data. In Sutton, CNHRPC conducted fifteen (15) traffic counts along state and local roads.
- Continued to support an enhanced **volunteer driver program (VDP)** in our region that was established in November 2011 through CNHRPC's 2010 Coordinated Transportation Plan efforts. The VDP has provided over 8,000 rides to seniors and people with disabilities for essential medical appointments and vital services that help the residents of our region remain independent. The goal of the planning effort was to reduce transportation costs for those in need while increasing coordination between existing transportation providers. For more information, visit www.midstatercc.org.
- Tracked **state highway paving projects** and coordinated with municipalities to ensure annual repaving and lane striping met community needs, with a particular emphasis on bicycle and pedestrian safety.
- Provided assistance to nine communities with **Safe Routes to School (SRTS) projects** including grant writing, comprehensive travel plan preparation, and technical assistance for infrastructure projects.
- Conducted monthly **Park & Ride vehicle occupancy counts** at eleven New Hampshire Park and Rides around the region as part of CNHRPC's transportation planning work program.
- Assisted the **Currier & Ives Byway Council** with the member Towns of Henniker, Hopkinton, Webster, Salisbury, and a newly joined member, the Town of Warner. In 2013 the Council installed C&I Byway signs along the route, conducted outreach with Byway area businesses, and received local and state press covered of the C&I Byway attractions.
- Commenced **Fluvial Erosion Hazard (FEH)** activities through funding from the NH Department of Environmental Services (NH DES) to conduct public outreach meetings with

emergency responders from six communities, notifying them of forthcoming assessment and culvert data from the Piscataquog, Turkey, and Soucook Rivers for use in Hazard Mitigation Plans.

- Continued work on the **NH Regional Broadband Mapping and Planning Program**, including data collection and map preparation on existing internet service, and identification of unserved and underserved areas. CNHRPC continued to work to develop a regional broadband plan for the region.
- Continued the process to develop a new **Regional Master Plan**, entitled the Central New Hampshire Regional Plan. The Central New Hampshire Regional Plan will be an advisory document that communities may use as a resource when updating their own municipal Master Plans. This three-year project is part of a statewide effort by all nine New Hampshire Regional Planning Commissions (RPCs) known as A Granite State Future.
- Provided assistance to the **Regional Trails Coordinating Council**, a coalition of local rail trail and shared-use path groups in roughly the Salem-Manchester-Concord corridor. In 2013, the group completed and approved a Regional Trails Plan for the region. The plan has been adopted by the regional Transportation Advisory Committees in the CNHRPC and SNHPC regions.
- Continued to acquire, update, and utilize **Geographic Information Systems (GIS)** data for planning, cartography, and analysis across all projects.
- Provided coordination assistance to the **Commute Green New Hampshire** program, working with public, private, and non-profit partners. Work has focused on bringing partners together, establishing a strategic plan, and improving communications around the state on what transportation options are available to residents.

For additional information, please contact the CNHRPC staff or visit us at www.cnhrpc.org. CNHRPC Commission meetings are open to the public and interested citizens are encouraged to attend.

Kearsarge Council on Aging, Inc. Report 2013

COA

CHAPIN SENIOR CENTER

People Helping People for 20 Years

37 Pleasant Street, New London NH 03257

COA's motto in fulfilling its basic mission is "People Helping People".



COA's success is found in thousands of individual, often personal, stories of how individuals have been positively impacted and its volunteer work force who make it all possible.

COA provides multiple ongoing opportunities for area seniors to get out and participate in activities and programs which keep their minds and bodies in action and improve the quality of their lives. **COA Chapin Senior Center operates on a $200,000 budget each year**. COA relies on private donations from members and businesses for 70% of its operating funds. The remaining 30% comes from the nine towns it serves.

COA's ability to keep its budget very low is due to its large workforce of volunteers. Currently COA has 200 active volunteers who run all of the programs offered, act as receptionists, data entry clerks, drivers, instructors, etc. Because of our excellent volunteers we are able to offer so many programs and services for no cost to anyone who participates.

In 2013 COA volunteers drove members from the nine town area 40,000 miles. COA's volunteer transportation program provides door through door service to people who are unable to drive, all this at no charge and with no reimbursement to the volunteers.



COA has a thriving senior center with over 54 programs.

The center is open M-F 9-4. Come for exercises, Medicare questions, attend an enriching educational program, or just have coffee with friends! A full library and video library awaits – a multitude of volunteer opportunities and most importantly a community of people who care about each other.

COA is making significant contributions to the health, well being and quality of life of senior residents in the area and they value these services as evidenced by the high membership and the thousands of valuable hours of volunteer time they are willing to give.

Sincerely,

Hardy Hasenfuss
Chairman



Muster Field Farm Museum

An 18th Century Historic Homestead, Restored Farm Buildings And Bicentennial Working Farm

Highlights of 2013 at Muster Field Farm Museum:

Grades 1-5 from Sutton Central School experience the Farm Museum
Colby-Sawyer College Students expand their studies at Muster Field
Successful events support the Farm Museum mission
Introduction of the Lyford Education Committee
KRHS Docent Support for Summer Homestead Tours
Bee-Keepers hold Regional Annual Meeting at Muster Field

Overview of the Muster Field Farm Museum:

Muster Field Farm Museum's 250 acres and historic homestead have been a part of Sutton's culture and heritage for generations. The homestead, built by Matthew Harvey, is listed on the National Register of Historic Places and housed Sutton's first library collection. The Harvey family served New Hampshire and the nation in civil service for over 50 years. When the farm passed beyond the Harvey Family, Robert Stannard Bristol began his stewardship. Mr. Bristol served as a select board member in Sutton and preserved the lands and buildings of Muster Field for future generations through the development of a trust which supports the mission of the Farm Museum. The fields surrounding the homestead once provided space for local troops to muster in preparation for duty, giving the farm its current name. Today, the Farm Museum is a vibrant example of New Hampshire's agrarian heritage. Annual events throughout the year highlight the collection of farm buildings brought to Muster Field from around the region as well as the present-day working farm that produces unbelievable flowers, fruits, vegetables, hay and cordwood.

Muster Field is grateful for the dedication of families and individuals who volunteer throughout the year as well as an incredible staff working seasonally and year-round. If you would like to learn more, visit the website or email for membership details and more.

The Farm Museum is open to the public daily for self-guided tours and exploration. You are encouraged to visit and take a step into the history of Sutton and enjoy the resources made possible by the generous vision of Bob Bristol. Details on Annual Events are available on the website: www.musterfieldfarm.com .

Board of Directors 2013
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Chip Rowe
Kevin Rowe
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Kathleen Stowell
Heidi Thoma
Jen White

Year Round Staff 2013
Steve Paquin, Farm Manager
Mel Mimnaugh, Farm Worker
Jack Noon, Museum Historian
Beth Morrill, Administrative Assistant

Community Action Program Report 2013

SERVICE DESCRIPTION	UNITS OF SERVICE	HOUSEHOLDS/PERSONS	VALUE
EMERGENCY FOOD PANTRIES provide up to five days of food for people facing temporary food crisis. Value $5.00 per meal.	MEALS--1410	HOUSEHOLDS--76	$7,020.00
FUEL ASSISTANCE is available to income eligible households to help with energy costs during the prime heating season. Priority is given to the elderly and disabled.	APPLICATIONS--42	PERSONS--103	$36,150.00
ELECTRIC ASSISTANCE program is a statewide program funded by all electric rate payers which provides a specific tier of discount from 8% to 77% on electic bills for income eligible households.	ENROLLED HH--40		$14,112.17
WEATHERIZATION improves the energy efficiency of income eligible households. Supplemental program also includes furnace replacement,water heater replacement and roof repair. Value includes average material and labor.	HOMES--2	PERSONS--3	$13,345.00
NEIGHBOR HELPING NEIGHBOR provides emergency energy assistance up to $300 for those not eligible for fuel assistance.	GRANTS--0		
		GRAND TOTAL	$70,627.17

INFORMATION AND REFERRAL--CAP provides utility, landlord/tenant, legal and health counseling as well as referrals for housing, transportation and other life concerns. These support/advocacy services are not tracked.



Report of the Lake Sunapee Region Visiting Nurse Association 2013

January 2014

Dear Friends:

On behalf of all staff, volunteers and the trustees of Lake Sunapee Region VNA and Hospice (LSRVNA), thank you for the opportunity to provide home health and hospice services, long-term care and community health services in Sutton.

Our Mission remains unchanged; LSRVNA personnel strive to support the dignity and independence of all Sutton residents. As in previous years, the LSRVNA Board of Directors has pledged that, within our financial resources, we will continue to provide your community with all our services, except for long-term private duty care, regardless of insurance coverage or any individual's ability to pay for care.

I am pleased and grateful to report that, for the 12-month period ending Sept. 30, 2013, LSRVNA employees:

- Provided 1,544 hours of nursing, therapy and in-home supportive care to 41 residents;
- Provided 1,327 in-home nursing, therapy and social work visits to these residents. 64 visits were provided without any remuneration to LSRVNA. 173 visits were provided under various Medicaid programs. NH Medicaid reimburses LSRVNA at less than 60% of visit cost;
- Two residents received 189 visits through our hospice program and, thanks in part to our support, they were able to spend their last days at home. Their families and loved ones are provided bereavement support and counseling at no cost; and
- 104 Sutton residents utilized our foot care, flu and blood pressure clinics as well as parent child, bereavement and other support groups.

LSRVNA staff remain committed not only to individual health and well-being, but to fostering community support and involvement which enables residents to help their friends and neighbors. Please do not hesitate to call me at 526-4077 if there is any way that we may be of service to you, your friends, or loved ones or if you have an idea how we can help foster the overall health and well being of the community.

Sincerely,

Scott Fabry, RN
President and CEO

UNH Cooperative Extension
Merrimack County 2013





University of New Hampshire
Cooperative Extension

We served citizens in every community in Merrimack County through our diverse programming such as 4-H, Nutrition Connections, Food & Agriculture, Community & Economic Development, Natural Resources, and Youth & Family, from October 2012 to September 2013, reaching residents in all 27 towns in the county.

Who we are:
UNH Cooperative Extension, the public outreach arm of the University of New Hampshire, has engaged New Hampshire residents for 99 years with a broad variety of non-formal educational offerings.

What we do:
UNH Cooperative Extension provides a direct link between UNH and people throughout the state. In partnership with local residents and volunteers, Cooperative Extension plans and conducts educational programs responsive to New Hampshire people and the issues they identify as important to them.

How we do it:
County Extension field staff bring these programs to county residents through hands-on workshops, site visits, seminars, conferences, phone consultations, video-conferences, printed materials, correspondence courses, a statewide toll free Info Line, and a large website, as well as partnering with other programs to bring the best to the citizens of Merrimack County. Our program areas include:

- **Food & Agriculture:** UNH Cooperative Extension, part of the land grant university, provides educational programs and applied research to promote safe and local food production, dairy and small-scale livestock and poultry production, and the state's large

and diverse ornamental horticulture industry. We offer programs in food safety for homeowners, farmers markets, and food service industries, as well as, pesticide applicator training, soil and plant diagnostic services and livestock production.

- **Natural Resources:** Managing and protecting New Hampshire's natural resources is critical to a healthy environment, our quality of life, and the tourism industry, as well as for current and future economic opportunities. Our Natural Resources Team provides research, education and stewardship throughout the state with a "boots on the ground" approach in extending state-wide programs in forestry and wildlife, natural resource development, land and water conservation, and marine fisheries.
- **Community & Economic Development:** UNH Cooperative Extension has a long history of supporting the state's economy through its agriculture, forestry and fishing industry efforts. In addition to this, Extension has become well-known and appreciated for our staff's ability to convene and facilitate community members and groups, helping them to develop leadership skills and make sound decisions regarding the future. Our Community and Economic Development team (CED) will continue providing research-based education and assistance to individuals, families, businesses, and communities to help them identify opportunities to enhance their competitive advantage, build upon their assets, and create conditions that foster local and regional economic growth.
- **Youth & Family:** Preparing youth to become caring and productive citizens is critical to New Hampshire's future. We will pursue this goal through community-based positive youth development, using the 4-H program as a primary vehicle. UNH Extension has always been well-known and is highly regarded for nutrition education programs for families and children across the state. Federal funding from the USDA provides resources for continued support to programs that focus on the specific needs of limited-resource families (Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program and the Expanded Food and Nutrition Education Program). We will address high-priority issues such as obesity as both a personal health and public health/economic issue. We will provide educational resources for parents and families through creative delivery mechanisms, including web-based outreach, e-newsletters and train-the-trainer programs. The research-based education and information we provide will enhance New Hampshire citizens' ability to make informed decisions that strengthen families.

UNH Extension trains and supports more than 4,000 volunteers statewide . . . 4-H leaders, master gardeners, wildlife coverts, community tree stewards, water quality monitors, marine docents,

and others, who extend the reach of Extension programs into many domains of New Hampshire life.

Our state-wide Education Center & toll-free Info Line staffed by volunteers fielded 451 calls from Merrimack County residents alone.

Our efforts contribute to the good health of our state and its people helping foster a strong economy, healthy environment, productive youth and the vibrant communities that make New Hampshire a great place to live, visit, and work.

In 2014, UNH Cooperative Extension reaches a major milestone . . . its 100-year anniversary! Participate in the celebration by making an investment in Extension or the 4-H Foundation of New Hampshire. Your investment will help ensure that our work for New Hampshire continues far into the next century. Private donations are a critical part of Extension's funding mix. Go to extension.unh.edu and click **DONATE** to **make a gift**, **see impacts**, and **hear from other donors**.

We are fortunate to have 13 community members from all over Merrimack County serving on our Advisory Council:

Commissioner
Bronwyn Asplund-Walsh, *Boscawen*
Larry Ballin, *New London*
Mark Cowdrey, *Andover*
Patrick Gilmartin, *Concord*
Eric Johnson, *Andover*
Ken Koerber, *Dunbarton*
Chris LaValley, *Allenstown*
Erick Leadbeater, *Contoocook*
Paul Mercier, *Canterbury*
MaryEllen Schule, *Henniker*
Mike Trojano, *Contoocook*
Stewart Yeaton, *Epsom*
StateRep.LorrieCarey,*Boscawen*

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Extension also distributes a wide range of information from our website: **www.extension.unh.edu.**

The University of New Hampshire Cooperative Extension is an equal opportunity educator and employer. University of New Hampshire, U.S. Department of Agriculture and New Hampshire counties cooperating.

UNH Cooperative Extension operates a statewide Education Center and Info Line (toll-free at 1-877-398-4769) which is staffed Monday through Friday, 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.
Email questions to: answers@unh.edu

Bradford Newbury Sutton Youth Sports

Bradford, Newbury, Sutton Youth Sports experienced a year of highs and lows in 2013.

Our 13th annual golf tournament at the Country Club of New Hampshire was our most successful fundraising event that I can recall.
Despite tremendous recruiting and organizational efforts of our Directors, we were not able to field a softball team for the Spring season.
With the Sam Emery Memorial Baseball Field available for action, we were able to host all of the home baseball games at Warren Brook Park.
Near the end of Fall soccer season, we experienced two break-ins at Warren Brook Park, which resulted in little net gain for the perpetrator(s), and extensive damage to BNSYS property and pride. Summer soccer camp was well attended, professionally conducted, and perfectly organized. Campers enjoyed the best weather we have had in years for this event.

The most dramatic change that we witnessed at BNSYS in 2013 though, was the lack of volunteers to make it all work. For those new to BNSYS, or perhaps new to the Towns which we serve, we are a 501©3, non-profit organization whose sole mission is to provide quality sports opportunities to area youths, while reinforcing the concepts of sportsmanship and team participation. Our revenue is derived from fundraising events, program participation fees, donations, and contributions of the Towns. The largest expenses incurred yearly are insurance and equipment. Funds are also used for league fees, uniforms, field/building maintenance, toilet rental, and scholarships. With this submission to the Annual Town Report, I am asking for your help to keep Bradford, Newbury, Sutton Youth Sports the envy of our region. If you have children participating in BNSYS programs, or if your children benefited from these programs and have now moved on, we would greatly appreciate even the smallest amount of volunteer effort that you can contribute.

You can contact any Director through our website; www.bnsys.org or talk to us as you see us around town. We would love to tell you about the opportunities at BNSYS.

Respectfully submitted,
Steve Patten, BNSYS President
Jen Dow, Treasurer
Rod McConnell, Baseball Director
Steve Bailey, Fields Director
Katherine McCandless, Soccer Director

VACANT: Secretary, Fundraising Director, Softball Director, Equipment Director

Celebrate Sutton
What's Old is New Again!

This year an ad hoc committee formed to take a look at Sutton's Old Home Day and explore ways to put new life into celebrating all the things there are to love about Sutton. Discussions started at the library and it grew from there.

The vision for revitalization stems from the original concept of Old Home Week, as proposed by Frank West Rollins in 1899. In Rollins' own words, the week-long celebration was to be a "*festival*" and include "*public gatherings on week days, musical events including bands and singers*" and more! The current concept proposes a number of events/activities scheduled during the week between the traditional Sutton Old Home Day and Farm Days at Muster Field Farm (Aug 17th-24th, 2014). Activities will be sponsored by local groups representing Sutton's diverse interests and cultural resources. Some activities will take place in each of Sutton's geographic areas, highlighting the villages throughout town.

Sutton's organizations, businesses, and town entities are encouraged to participate and propose engaging activities to fill the week. If you are involved with an existing Sutton summertime activity or event and can schedule it that week - it would be wonderful! Discussions with local entities so far have included events such as a square dance, athletic activities, garden tours, art contest, pet parade and organized hikes. Other ideas are more flexible in scheduling, for example: a scavenger hunt, fishing derby or photo displays at public areas. (Did you say "talent show" and fireworks? Imagine the possibilities!)

Have an idea? Want to help out? Please visit the Sutton Library. There will be a suggestion box there and many of the planning activities will take place there. Please come and offer your ideas, energy and enthusiasm! Touch base through the library phone 927- 4927 or Celebrate Sutton email CelebrateSutton@gmail.com.

Old Store Museum

The Old Store Museum has seen lots of activity this year. The front porch on our building has been replaced. The trustees have begun sorting through and preserving the museum's many documents and Jack Noon has graciously offered his expertise on this endeavor. Over the years the Old Store has acquired many interesting items, and the main floor has become overcrowded with treasures. We began the daunting task of cleaning and organizing our attic space so that we could move some items to a safe place. This project has been mostly accomplished by Fritz Pratt along with his grandson Trevor McCourt. Both have spent considerable hours and manpower at the museum this past fall. The job is nearly done and, hopefully, next summer we will be able to sort through, inventory, and rotate items for display.

Fritz is our most dedicated trustee having overseen the maintenance of our building and grounds for many years. In addition, he has kept a watchful eye on the museum and the other historical buildings on the common, filled the flower boxes, and kept the other trustees on track with responsibilities. Thank you, Fritz. We appreciate all you do to care for this special place.

If you have not visited us in a while, please be sure to stop in on Old Home Day or contact one of the trustees in late spring or summer to arrange for a visit. You will enjoy all that the museum has to offer!

Submitted by,

Marcia Harrison
Chairperson

Trustees:
Donald Davis, Jr
Robert O'Neil
Frederick Pratt
Sheila Wilcox, Alternate

Ausbon Sargent Land Preservation Trust

The mission of the Ausbon Sargent Land Preservation Trust (Ausbon Sargent) is to protect the rural landscape of the twelve towns of the Mt. Kearsarge/Mt. Sunapee region. Since its founding in 1987, Ausbon Sargent has completed 126 projects and protected 10,329 acres – including nine working farms and seven miles of lake frontage. All of these conservation lands must provide for some public benefit and two-thirds of these properties offer public access.

During 2013, Ausbon Sargent completed 6 projects throughout the region. The William Bean Quarry conservation easement in Sutton (139 acres) granted by Tom and Janet Paul was one of these easements. This Paul property is now owned by the Town of Sutton and is a wonderful asset to all townspeople who enjoy history and exploring the outdoors. The property has over 4,000 feet of frontage on Kings Hill Road which is part of the Sunapee Ragged Kearsarge Greenway and adds to over 1,000 acres of conservation land in the area. The property is open to the public for low impact recreation and contains the historic granite quarries that provided the foundations for the early buildings in Sutton. This project was made possible by the generosity of Tom and Janet Paul, the hard work of the Sutton Conservation Commission and the support of the voters in the Town of Sutton.

Other projects which were completed this year include the Phillips Preserve in New London comprising 71 acres, the Patten easement in Springfield (47 acres), the Baptist Pond Trust-East easement in Springfield (124 acres), Wendell Marsh North in Sunapee (136 acres) and the Garvey easement in Goshen (70 acres).

Ausbon Sargent's website indicates which of the land trust's protected properties have trails open to the public. These trails, many of which cross privately owned land, are open to hiking, cross-country skiing and snowshoeing. The website includes trail maps and driving directions. For more information on these newly conserved properties, and all of Ausbon Sargent's protected properties, please visit our website at: **www.ausbonsargent.org**.

The year was also full of many activities available for our membership and the public to enjoy. Included were a kayak/canoe and picnic at Baptist Pond in Springfield, a dragonfly activity in Andover and hikes on protected properties in both Bradford and Sutton. In September Ausbon Sargent held its second annual Kearsarge Klassic Bike Event in conjunction with the New Hampshire Cycling Club. In October a

workshop sponsored by The Ausbon Sargent Outreach Committee and the UNH Cooperative Extension called Old Fields, New Fields, Agriculture and Wildlife Opportunities for Landowners was held. The workshop helped participants learn what agricultural and wildlife opportunities the local foods movement offers them, what soils are suitable for conversion to agricultural uses and how to protect fields from nutrient depletion, erosion and impacts on nearby water resources. Additionally, we held our ever popular Progressive Dinner in July and the Holiday Party in December both of which are open to all of our members. Both events tend to sell out quickly, so if you would like to attend, please plan to sign up early.

Ausbon Sargent was accredited during the summer of 2009 by the Land Trust Accreditation Commission (LTA), an independent program of the Land Trust Alliance. Ausbon Sargent is one of seven land trusts in New Hampshire to earn this accreditation. We believe receiving the LTA accreditation assures both our easement and financial donors of our integrity, professionalism and capacity to successfully execute our mission to preserve the rural landscape of the Mt. Kearsarge/Lake Sunapee region. Since it is necessary to reapply for reaccreditation after five years, we are now in the process of completing the application which is due in April 2014.

The year 2013 also marked the successful completion of our first ever capital campaign, Saving Land for Tomorrow, to fully fund our stewardship fund. Once a property is conserved our commitment to that property is just beginning. It is our duty to steward our conserved properties, forever. Thank you to everyone who supported us in this very successful effort.

Ausbon Sargent is pleased to have over 200 volunteers providing year-round support for easement monitoring, committee assignments and clerical work. We are grateful for our loyal and giving members and especially the Sutton Conservation Commission who provide financial support and the countless hours which have assured our success. If you would like to join us in our work to protect these special places, you could become a conservation easement donor, support Ausbon Sargent financially or volunteer your time to the organization.

Sincerely,

Deborah L. Stanley
Executive Director

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The Sunapee-Ragged-Kearsarge Greenway Coalition

The Sunapee-Ragged-Kearsarge Greenway Coalition (SRKGC) was founded in 1993. It is an all volunteer, non-profit organization to promote hiking and land conservation. A 75 mile hiking trail forming a loop known as the SRK Greenway was built to link the most prominent peaks in the area – Mt Sunapee, Mt Ragged and Mt Kearsarge.

The SRK Greenway extends through ten towns and of the 75 miles, 9.6 miles are in Sutton. Entering from Mount Kearsarge State Forest along the Lincoln Trail from the north, the Greenway arrives at Kearsarge Valley Road, passes under I-89 at Exit 10, enters Shadow Hill State Forest, then the perimeter of Kearsarge Regional Middle School. It crosses NH 114 below Music Hill Road and arrives at Wadleigh Hill Road near the Pressey Bridge over the Lane River. From there it passes the Town Forest and into Wadleigh State Park. From Wadleigh the SRKG heads toward Chalk Pond in Newbury by following Penacook Road to Kings Hill Road, ascends Kings Hill Road and descends to the Newbury town line at Stone House Road. Much of the trail passes over private property and would not exist were it not for the generosity of many land owners.

With approximately 200 members, the SRK Greenway is a thoroughly community-based, all volunteer organization governed by an active Board of Directors which oversees trail maintenance work, a newsletter, a website (www.srkg.com), a trail guide book (sold at local book stores), a 3-season hiking schedule and an annual meeting in March of every year. Jean LaChance, representing the Sutton Conservation Commission, and Dave Gardner currently serve as Sutton Directors on the Greenway Board. Iain Gilmour manages sales of the SRKG Trail Guide book and Art Robbins keeps Sutton's portion of SRK Greenway trails repaired and blazed.

Our website at www.srkg.com has maps of all 14 trail sections. There you will find hike schedules, landowner information, membership details and links to other hiking trails in New Hampshire.

Hiking trails are an important feature of the region's tourism economy and an important benefit to the community. Preserving and maintaining a Green Corridor in Sutton and the surrounding towns has an enormous impact with its associated recreational, economic and health benefits. To improve awareness of hiking trails generally, SRK Greenway representatives continually meet with several town boards, conservation commissions, and others including the Ausbon Sargent Land Preservation Trust (ASLPT), SPNHF, the Mount Sunapee State Park Advisory Committee, the NH Trails Bureau and the Statewide Trails Advisory Committee.

Marriages Recorded for the Town of Sutton

for the Year Ending December 31, 2013

Date of Marriage Place of Marriage	Name of Groom Name of Bride	Residence of Groom Residence of Bride
January 16, 2013 South Sutton, NH	Nylen, Philip Colson, Hope	South Sutton, NH South Sutton, NH
June 29, 2013 Bradford, NH	Moser, Glenn R. Cutter, Kathleen R.	Sutton, NH Sutton, NH
July 6, 2013 Davisville, NH	Sturtevant, Douglas P. Houghton, Nicole M.	South Sutton, NH South Sutton, NH
July 13, 2013 Sutton, NH	Baluk, Kurt S. Allen, Crystal A.	North Sutton, NH North Sutton, NH
August 10, 2013 Sanbornton, NH	McBroom, John P. Badgley, Vanessa R.	North Sutton, NH North Sutton, NH
September 22, 2013 Concord, NH	Tucker, Timothy K. Peterson, Heidi L.	South Sutton, NH South Sutton, NH
September 28, 2013 Moultonborough	Sniffen, Travis J. Read, Megan E.	South Sutton, NH South Sutton, NH
November 23, 2013 South Sutton, NH	Mason, Stephen P. Murphy, Joanna P.	South Sutton, NH South Sutton, NH

All information gathered from the Department of Vital Records, NH as of January 6, 2014.

Respectfully Submitted,

Linda D. Ford
Town Clerk

Births Recorded in the Town of Sutton

for the Year Ending December 31, 2013

Child's Name	Date of Birth	Place of Birth	Father's/Partner's Name	Mother's Name
Croll, Jackson Thomas	01/13/2013	Lebanon, NH	Croll, Kimberly	Croll, Kathleen
Stratton, Aric Bentz	05/20/2013	Lebanon, NH	Stratton, Padriac	Ellison, Chantel
Fortune, Arianna Marie	06/14/2013	Concord, NH		Fortune, Andrea
Gauthier, Dominic Jacob	06/15/2013	Concord, NH	Gauthier, Aaron	Brasda, Jessica
Little, Alianna Marie	08/17/2013	Lebanon, NH	Little, Paul	Little, Mili
Chicoine, Madelyn Fay	08/21/2013	Concord, NH	Chicoine, Ryan	Chicoine, Angela
Sprunger, Charlotte Cleora	09/05/2013	Concord, NH	Sprunger, Philip	Sprunger, Sarah
Perkins, Ramsey James	10/11/2013	Concord, NH	Perkins, Travis	Perkins, Stephanie
Cole, Hunter Nathan	10/30/2013	Concord, NH	Cole, Nathan	Cole, Stacy
Lesperance, Cameron Riis	11/01/2013	Concord, NH	Lesperance, Derek	Lesperance, Anne
Darling, Mason Edward Blake	11/05/2013	Concord, NH	Darling, Brian	Perry, Amanda
Dyment, Jayna Marie	12/07/2013	Concord, NH	Dyment, Jason	Dyment, Jan

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Respectfully Submitted,

Linda D. Ford
Town Clerk

Deaths Recorded in the Town of Sutton

for the Year Ending December 31, 2013

Decedent's Name	Date of Death	Place of Death	Father's Name	Mother's Name
McKinnon, Alexander	02/04/2013	New London, NH	McKinnon, John	Levasseur, Olive
Shepard, John	03/14/2013	North Sutton, NH	Shepard, Thomas	Dickinson, Marie
Simonds, Walter	04/12/2013	Concord, NH	Simonds, Everett	Liley, Hazel
Conron, Dorothy	07/01/2013	Lebanon, NH	Conron, Arthur	Bigelow, Dorothy
Swanson, Carl	07/23/2013	Warner, NH	Swanson, Knut	Linder, Anna
Chadwick, Sylvia	08/08/2013	North Sutton, NH	Willey, Frank	Fowler, Jennifer
DiMaggio, Phyllis	09/10/2013	New London, NH	DiMaggio, Candeloro	Raia, Elena
Call, Richard	10/15/2013	White River Jct., VT	Call, Shirley S.	Quimby, Annie M.
Mullin, Jr., Phillip	12/07/2013	Manchester, NH	Mullin, Sr., Phillip	Lund, Barbara
Christensen, Judith	12/11/2013	Sutton, NH	Kovanda, Charles	Schepp, Alois
Driscoll, Karen	12/26/2013	North Sutton, NH	Agearn, F.	Blum, Beatrice
Karales, Patricia	12/29/2013	North Sutton, NH	Gurney, John	Cyr, Flora

All information gathered from the Department of Vital Records, NH as of January 6, 2014.

Respectfully Submitted,

Linda D. Ford
Town Clerk

Are you considering logging your land in Sutton?

The Sutton Conservation Commission reminds owners of forest land that your timber is a valuable asset. Be wary of unsolicited offers to log your land or buy timber. Before you have your property logged, we *strongly* recommend you:

- Hire a licensed professional **forester** to represent your financial interests and to protect the long-term health and productivity of your woodlot.
- Obtain a good written timber harvesting **contract.**
- Learn more about current **wood markets** and prices.
- Obtain **free** forestry **advice** from Merrimack County Cooperative Extension. County Forester, Tim Fleury will arrange to visit your woodlot. Please call Tim at (603) 796-2151 or 225-5505.
- Learn more about NH **forestry laws** including: the Intent to Cut permit, the NH Timber Yield Tax, Wetlands permits, Best Management Practices for Erosion Control, Basal Area law for Stream and Shoreland Protection zones, Slash laws and Timber Trespass laws.
- Visit the resource library in the Town Hall. **Free fact sheets** include an excellent publication entitled: *Selling Timber? Do It Right!* Other publications include information on: Forest Management Plans, Marking Boundaries, Logging Contracts, Best Management Practices, Timber Harvesting Laws, Cost-Share Programs, Licensed Foresters and Certified Loggers in NH.

A timber tax monitor reviews Intent to Cut permits and visits timber harvests in Sutton as necessary to insure accurate reporting of timber yields.

NH Division of Forests & Lands inspecting foresters visit logging operations to insure compliance with NH timber harvesting laws and to respond to complaints of timber law violations. Call (603) 271-2217.

Proper timber harvesting provides multiple benefits: income, improved habitat, trails, views, and long-term forest health. Uncontrolled, exploitive cutting results in lost revenue, environmental degradation, public resentment and legal liability.

Your forest has been growing for many years.
It will continue to increase in value over time.
A timber sale should be an informed decision.
Please do your homework!

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